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RE: Nascot Lawn

Dear Andy

Following the handing down of the judicial review judgement on 21st February 2018, I confirm that the CCG withdraws the notice of termination of funding dated 17th November 2017.

The CCG will maintain its current level of funding of respite services at Nascot Lawn pending any further decision about future funding. That decision will be taken by no later than 3rd May 2018. The CCG expectation is that a full service will continue to be delivered in line with the current level of funding. The CCG will continue to monitor performance in line with contractual arrangements via our Contract and Quality Review Meetings held between the CCG and HCT.

As we are aware from your communication to families on 17th January 2018, whilst the respite provision at Nascot Lawn is continuing, we note this is on a significantly reduced basis and families are only being offered respite within the three opening nights of Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays. We note that the respite nights *'have been carefully planned to ensure that the right staff are available on each of these nights to safely provide the care for your child,'* and in addition that you *'may also need to cancel nights that are offered ... if there are unforeseen circumstances such as staff sickness.'* In view of this information and that the service currently being provided by HCT is not consistent with contractual requirements of 11 nights per fortnight with the closure of one week at Christmas and an additional closure of one week at the end of June/beginning of July, we now therefore require a plan detailing how delivery will return to commissioned levels by 15th March 2018.

Please let me know if you have any queries.



Yours sincerely

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