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Dear Practice Manager

Application to change Practice Boundary - Cedar Medical Practice

I write to advise you that your application to change the Cedar Medical Practice boundary was considered at a recent meeting of the North Lincolnshire Joint Commissioning Committee. The committee was sympathetic to your desire to restrict the recent growth in your registered list size to ensure ongoing maintenance of high quality services and was content that your proposal would not significantly reduce the choice of GP practice available to the patient population of Scunthorpe. However the committee was concerned at the potential impact your application would have on the three care homes in which you currently have registered patients that would fall outside your proposed new practice boundary.

The provision of ongoing support to Haverholme House where it is understood that Cedar Medical is presently the main provider of primary medical services was of particular concern to the committee. Consequently it has been decided to reject your application for a change in your practice boundary at this time.

The Joint Commissioning Committee would be prepared to consider a revised boundary change application from Cedar Medical at any time, but for such an application to be successful it would need to provide robust assurance regarding the ongoing provision of primary medical services to residents of care homes within your current practice boundary. Ideally such assurance should be in the form of revised care home support arrangements agreed collaboratively by practices within the framework of the new care networks.

If you do wish to dispute this decision, please make your representations to NHS England (Yorkshire and the Humber) Primary Care Team.

Yours sincerely

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Cc: Local Medical Committee

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