Appendix G

Residential pupil's views on the proposal to close St Lawrence House as from April 2013:

I think SLH should stay open. It's supported and helped me and it helps everybody to cope with everyday life. It's made me more independent. SLH is good. (Year 11)

It should stay open. It's really good fun, lots of activities and I can now with help do my own tea and make cups of tea. It does lots of independent work, learning life skills - changing beds etc. (Year 8)

I want SLH to say open. It's supported me and helps my mum. It's also very fun with lots of activities. When I am here I've got people to talk to. I've grown up a lot and can do more for myself. Its warmer here - I have no heating at home! (Year 8)

I want SLH to stay open. I like Trish and boarding. I've made friends. I can now get showered and dressed all on my own and can make a simple snack. I would like other pupils to be able to stay in SLH like I have. (Year 11)

I think SLH should stay open. It's helped make things better at home. It's helped with my behaviour. It is now a lot better. SLH has helped with my life skills and I can now shop, make a simple meal and go into town on my own.

(Year 10)

SLH should stay open because it does more activities. I have got certificates for my independent living skills which will help me when I leave school. I would be tired if I had to travel everyday. I live in Spalding. The staff are very good helping all the children. (Year 11)

I was pleased SLH was here for me. There is more stuff to do than at home and you don't get bored as easy. While boarding I have got better at looking after myself and I am more independent. I think other children should have the chance to board to help them. (Year 11)

I think it's silly shutting SLH because how is it going to help parents/carers at home when children are playing up. Being in SLH helps children socialise with other children and improves the children's behaviour. I think it's helped me be more independent. If I wasn't boarding I would probably be sat at home saying "no" to everything. I would like SLH to stay open. (Year 8)

I think SLH should stay open to help more children like me. (Year 11)

Boarding should stay open because it's good. It teaches us how to live. The staff are good and it is a good facility. (Year 11)

SLH has helped me grow up. I like the food and there are lots of activities.

(Beth Crompton Year 11)

I enjoy boarding and don't want it to close. (Year 10)

I like boarding because I like meeting new friends and trying new foods and I like to join in games or activities. It's helped since I have been here.

(Year 11)

I like boarding, it helps with my behaviour. It's getting brilliant. (Year 11)