

Agenda Item 5

		THE HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE FOR LINCOLNSHIRE	
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Open Report on behalf of Lincoln Medical School

Report to	Health Scrutiny Committee for Lincolnshire
Date:	19 February 2020
Subject:	Lincoln Medical School

Summary

This item enables the Committee to consider a presentation from Professor Danny McLaughlin, the Associate Dean of Medicine at the University of Lincoln, on the Lincoln Medical School.

The first cohort of medical students began their studies at the Lincoln Medical School in September 2019.

Actions Required

To consider the information presented on the Lincoln Medical School.

1. First Year of Lincoln Medical School

The Lincoln Medical School, based at the University of Lincoln, is a joint venture between the Universities of Lincoln and Nottingham. In September 2019, the first cohort of students began:

- the five-year Bachelor of Medicine Bachelor of Surgery (BMBS) Medicine degree; and
- the six-year Foundation Year and Bachelor of Medicine Bachelor of Surgery (BMBS) Medicine degree.

2. Lincoln Medical School – New Building and Facilities

Lincoln Medical School students are currently being taught in existing university buildings. From 2021, the students at the Medical School will benefit from a new purpose-built medical school building in Lincoln.

On 26 September 2019, a 'turf cutting' ceremony took place involving the donors and charitable organisations supporting the new purpose-built Medical School building. The new building will comprise lecture theatres, laboratories, clinical and anatomy suites equipped with diagnostic tools and a dedicated science library. The building work is scheduled for completion in spring 2021 and once at full capacity it will provide training to around 400 medical students at any one time.

3. After Graduation with BMBS Degree

Following graduation with a BMBS degree, students can register with the General Medical Council and begin the two-year Foundation Programme ('F1' and 'F2'), which allows graduates to put into practice their learning in preparation for practising as a fully registered doctor in the UK.

Completion of F2 will lead to the award of a *Foundation Programme Certificate of Completion*, which indicates that a foundation doctor is ready to enter a core, specialty or general practice training programme, which can last from three years (for example, for a GP) to six or more years for many other specialties (such as trauma and orthopaedics; and emergency medicine).

4. Benefits of Medical School for Lincolnshire

For many years, the establishment of a local medical school at the University of Lincoln has been supported by the local community, as a means of raising the profile of Lincolnshire, as a place for medical professionals to live, work and develop their careers.

5. Other Health and Care Related Undergraduate Degree Courses at University of Lincoln

In addition to the BMBS degree, the University of Lincoln's School of Health and Social Care continues to provide a number of Bachelor of Science undergraduate degree courses, which support the training and development of health and care staff. These courses include:

- Midwifery
- Nursing (Registered Nurse – Adult)
- Nursing (Registered Nurse – Child)
- Nursing (Registered nurse - Mental Health)
- Paramedic Science

6. Conclusion

The Health Scrutiny Committee for Lincolnshire is requested to consider the information presented on the Lincoln Medical School.

7. Consultation

This is not a direct consultation item.

8. Background Papers

No background papers, as defined in Part VA of the Local Government Act 1972, were used in the preparation of this report.

This report was written by Professor Danny McLaughlin, the Associate Dean of Medicine, University of Lincoln

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