

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD	AGENDA ITEM No. 9
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ADULT SOCIAL CARE, BETTER CARE FUND (BCF) UPDATE

RECOMMENDATIONS	
FROM: Wendi Ogle-Welbourn	Deadline date: N/A
The Health and Wellbeing Board are requested to note the update of BCF delivery and planning for BCF 2017/19 submission	

1. ORIGIN OF REPORT

1.1 This report is submitted to the Health and Wellbeing Board at the request of the Corporate Director for People and Communities.

2. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

2.1 The purpose of this report is to provide information for the Board; it sets out an update on the delivery of the BCF Programme and planning approach for the BCF 2017/18 submission.

2.2 This report is for the Board to consider under its Terms of Reference No. 3.6 *'To identify areas where joined up or integrated commissioning, including the establishment of pooled budget arrangements would benefit improving health and wellbeing and reducing health inequalities.'*

3. TIMESCALES

Is this a Major Policy Item/Statutory Plan?	NO	If yes, date for Cabinet meeting	N/A
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4. BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

4.1 As previously reported, Peterborough's BCF has created a single pooled budget to support health and social care services (for all adults with social care needs) to work more closely together in the city. The BCF was announced in June 2013 and introduced in April 2015. The £12.6 million budget is not new money; it is a reorganisation of funding currently used predominantly by Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) and Peterborough City Council (PCC) to provide health and social care services in the city. It includes funding for the Disabled Facilities Grant, which supports housing adaptations. In 2017, Peterborough will be required to submit a new, jointly agreed BCF Plan, covering a two year period.

MONITORING:

4.2 The BCF Q4 NHS England reporting template has been issued and the submission deadline is 31st May 2017.

A Section 75 end of year report is being drafted and will be presented to the next Health and Wellbeing Board meeting.

BCF PLANNING SUBMISSION 2017-19

- 4.3 At the time of writing, BCF planning guidance and funding allocations for 2017/18 and beyond have not yet been published. They were expected on 18th November, but have been delayed. Currently we do not have a date for publication, but anticipate that this may not be until after the general election period.

The Better Care Fund and Policy Framework was published at the end of March 2017. The key requirements outlined, include:

- The plan will cover a period of 2 years: 2017/18 and 2018/19. National conditions have been reduced from eight to four, however, areas will likely still be required to discuss their approach to meeting previous national conditions. The four national conditions are:
 - Plans to be jointly agreed
 - NHS contribution to Adult Social Care (ASC) is maintained in line with inflation
 - Agreement to invest in NHS commissioned out of hospital services
 - Managing transfers of care, with local areas implementing the 'High Impact Change Model for Managing Transfers of Care', as expected (this is a brand new condition for 2017-19)
- National performance metrics remain the same; Non-elective admissions, Delayed Transfers of Care, Residential admissions and Effectiveness of reablement. There is no longer a requirement for locally agreed metrics (injuries due to falls and friends and family metric).
- A new 'Improved BCF' settlement will also see additional funding allocated to local authorities, with the following conditions attached:
 - funds must be pooled into the BCF section 75
 - does not replace and must not be offset against the NHS minimum contribution to adult social care
 - must only be used for purposes of meeting ASC needs, reducing pressures on the NHS, including supporting more people to be discharged from hospital when ready and ensuring local social care provider market is supported
 - the local authority must work with the CCG and providers to meet the national condition of managing transfers of care and provide quarterly progress reports

Since the agreement of 2016/17 BCF plans, the local system has collectively signed up to the Sustainability and Transformation Plan (STP) and new STP governance arrangements have been established. Over the same period there has been a significant increase in joint working between local public sector organisations in Peterborough and Cambridgeshire through the development of proposals for local devolution. These developments offer an opportunity to review the local approach to BCF plans to reduce the risk of duplication and improve the chance of success. A single commissioning board for Peterborough and Cambridgeshire has now been established, which will support a more joined up approach to planning and monitoring progress.

Planning discussions continue in the absence of the national BCF planning guidance. The approach in discussion supports both a greater alignment of BCF activity across the STP and local authority plans, and a greater alignment of Peterborough and Cambridgeshire BCF plans.

5. CONSULTATION

- 5.1 As previously reported, in the developing and drafting of the BCF Plan there were detailed discussions and workshops with partners. Joint working across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough continues and regular monitoring activities have been solidified to ensure clear and standardised reporting mechanisms.

6. ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES OR IMPACT

- 6.1 Not applicable. The contents of this report provide an update for the board to note.

7. REASON FOR THE RECOMMENDATION

- 7.1 The report is for the board to note.

8. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

8.1 Not applicable.

9. IMPLICATIONS

Financial Implications

9.1 Delivery assurance through the Board will enable the Council and the CCG to continue to meet NHS England's conditions for receiving BCF monies.

The BCF funding is in line with the Council's Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS).

Legal Implications

9.2 There are no legal implications related to this report.

Equalities Implications

9.3 There are no equalities implications related to this report.

10. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

- 10.1 i) BCF Quarterly Data Collection Template Q4 15-16 Peterborough (final)
- ii) BCF Quarterly Data Collection Template Q1 16-17 Peterborough (final)
- iii) BCF Quarterly Data Collection Template Q2 16-17 Peterborough (final)
- iv) BCF Quarterly Data Collection Template Q3 16-17 Peterborough (final)

11. APPENDICES

11.1 None

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