



<u>Committee and Date</u>	<u>Item</u>
Health and Wellbeing Board	
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SHROPSHIRE HEALTH AND WELLBEING EXECUTIVE

1. Introduction

The Health and Wellbeing Board is as asked to consider the content of the report:

- Better Care Fund update on 16/17 Plan submission and approval
- Better Care Fund financial review
- Better Care Fund and Children's Services
- Better Care Fund Partnership Agreement
- Better Care Fund Finance and Performance Report July 2016 (attached)
- Better Care Fund Scheme Tracker July 2016 (attached)

2. Recommendations

The Health & Wellbeing Board is asked to:

- Note the progress on the submission of the Better Care Fund narrative plan for 2016/17
- Note the progress and aims of the work to undertake a detailed financial review of the pooled budget that makes up the BCF
- Note the updated BCF Partnership Agreement and agree that it is signed and adopted for 2016/17
- Note the content of the Better Care Fund Performance Report

REPORT

3. Purpose of Report

To update the Health and Wellbeing Board on progress with the 16/17 BCF plan submission, the work to review the budget of the BCF and to present an update on the performance of the Better Care Fund.

4. Background

NHS England and the Local Government Association require CCG's and Local Authorities to work together to develop an annual Better Care Fund (BCF) Plan supported by a mandated minimum pooled budget.

5. Update on 16/17 BCF Plan

At the last meeting of the HWBB on 9th June the Board were advised that we had been asked to make some revisions to the plan and it was agreed that this would be carried out by the H&WB Delivery group via delegated authority. Further to this a revised plan was submitted to NHS England on 30 June.

Following this submission we have been advised that regional NHSE approval with a recommendation for national approval was given to the plan on the 4th July. This approval asked for some further planning work to take place around 3 Key Lines of Enquiry (KLOE's) which is now largely complete with some further in year development work required around the progression of 7 day services, particularly in the acute setting.

The approval of the plan is a significant milestone and is testament to the hard work that has taken place across the system to meet some challenging requirements from NHSE. It also allows a shift in activity from plan development into scheme development and delivery which will be the main focus of reports to the HWBB going forward.

6. BCF Financial Review

The HWBB Delivery Group has commenced work on a detailed review of the BCF pooled budget. This work will be undertaken by a finance sub group made up of finance leads from the CCG and Shropshire Council alongside key CCG and SC staff.

The main aim of this work is to examine all component parts of the pooled budget to ensure that they are the most appropriate to maximise the performance of the programme. It is anticipated that this work will identify some areas for rationalisation and in light of the challenging financial

landscape locally will endeavour to highlight further opportunities for co-ordinated review and commissioning of services.

This finance review is being carried out alongside the creation of a joint contract register across the CCG and Adult Social Care. This will be used to inform future planning, ensure co-ordination and prioritisation of service reviews and set out the timescale by which pieces of work need to be complete to adhere to contract notice periods or end dates.

The aim is to complete this review work by the end of September in time for a report to be presented detailing findings and actions to the HWBB meeting on the 29th September.

7. BCF Partnership Agreement

The HWBB are required to sign a Partnership Agreement as part of the annual submission of the BCF plan. This confirms the Board's agreement to work in partnership to deliver the plan and the principles under which the pooled budget will be managed

The Partnership Agreement for 14/15 has been updated to reflect the 16/17 BCF plan and pooled budget and has been reviewed by Shropshire Council's Legal Team.

It is proposed that once the financial review has been completed that the Partnership Agreement be revisited to ensure it reflects any further developments in budget management that develop in year.

The HWBB are requested to adopt the Agreement for 2016/17

8. BCF Performance and scheme activity

The end of year local performance report, attached, is summarised below::

- Reducing Non Elective (NEL) admissions to hospital remains a challenge. Although Shropshire met its NEL target in Q1, performance was below target and rated red for the subsequent 4 quarters. The result of this was that no Payment by Performance funds were released during 2015/16. Work to address unplanned hospital admissions remains a high priority and forms part of the A&E recovery plan.
- Performance for the Reablement and Admissions to Residential Care metrics have been achieved with a degree of consistency in 2015/16
- In terms of our local metrics – Admissions to Redwoods with a diagnosis of dementia. This metric measures the number of people admitted to Redwoods with a diagnosis of dementia as a proportion of the population with a diagnosis of dementia. This is an annually reported target reported in Q3 as being achieved. Whilst admissions had remained fairly static the achievement of the target reflects the significant work around dementia

diagnosis and the increased numbers of the population who received a diagnosis during the reporting period. This target will need close monitoring in 2016/17.

- Reporting on the mental health out of hours crisis number is based on an annual patient survey. Results show an improvement on 2014/15 position and an increased rate of responses. However, performance falls short of the 2015/16 target and is rated as amber
- The Delayed Transfers of Care metric remains a challenge and continues to be rated red. This area continues to be the subject of focused work to reverse this position and is linked to the A&E recovery plan.

Please refer to local BCF performance report attached for more detail

All BCF High Impact Schemes for 2016/17 are either fully or partially implemented with the exception of the Falls scheme, on which focused activity is taking place to ensure implementation occurs imminently. Work is ongoing to continue to refine our monitoring processes around progress and impact of schemes on the metrics above.

The BCF assurance timetable for 2016/17 has not yet been published. However, it is anticipated that NHS England will require a Q1 return at the end of August. Due to the timing of this in relation to the next H&WBB meeting, as in previous instances the H&WB Delivery group will maintain oversight of this submission.

9. Engagement

There has been extensive engagement in developing the BCF plan. This is set out in the Engagement section of the narrative plan

10. Risk Assessment and Opportunities Appraisal (including Equalities, Finance, Rural Issues)

A specific Risk Log is included in the BCF narrative plan. Equalities issues are embedded throughout the plan. The plan also includes a section outlining the financial commitments supporting delivery. Rural issues are referenced throughout the plan.