

20 May 2019

Agenda Item: 5

REPORT OF THE CORPORATE DIRECTOR, ADULT SOCIAL CARE, HEALTH AND PUBLIC PROTECTION, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY.

BETTER CARE FUND POOLED BUDGET – Q4 2018/19 RECONCILIATION.

Purpose of the Report

- 1. This report sets out progress in 2018/19 against the Nottinghamshire Better Care Fund (BCF) financial plan. The Finance and Major Contracts Management Committee are invited to:
 - Consider and comment on the findings of the reconciliation of the BCF Pooled Fund for Q4 2018/19.

Information

- 2. Nottinghamshire County Council and the six Nottinghamshire Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) contributing to the pooled fund undertook a reconciliation exercise of Quarter 4 2018/19 income and expenditure.
- 3. Tables 1 and 2 show the difference between funding available and spend to month 12.

Table 1: Quarter 4 2018/19					
Contributing partner	Nottinghamshire Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs)	Nottinghamshire County Council	Total		
Funding within the pooled budget	£52,516,100	£28,031,808	£80,547,908		
Payments received from pooled budget to NCC	£32,129,147	£48,418,761	£80,547,908		
Total spend to period 12	£32,129,147	£48,467,758	£80,596,905		
Under/(over) spend to period 12	£0	£48,997	-£48,997		

4. The Nottinghamshire County Council allocation is shown in Table 2. This table shows the difference between planned spend and actual spend to month 12. The Improved Better Care Fund and Care Act Implementation funding for 2018/19 has been spent in full.

5. Within the Disabled Facilities Grant allocation, the Handy Person Adaptation Service (HPAS) has overspent showing in Table 2. This overspend has been met by the main Adult Social Care Department budget. Underspends from 2017/18 were returned to district councils upon their request.

Table 2: Quarter 4 2018/19 Nottinghamshire County Council					
£'000s	Planned Spend	Spend	Variance		
Protecting Social Care	£17,057,413	£17,057,413	£0		
Support for Carers	£1,268,544	£1,268,544	£0		
Care Act Implementation	£2,060,996	£2,060,996	£0		
Improved Better Care Fund	£21,590,371	£21,590,371	£0		
Disabled Facilities Grant (District and Borough Councils)	£6,441,437	£6,490,434	-£48,997		

Other Options Considered

6. A BCF pooled fund is a national requirement, another partner organization could become the Host Organisation.

Reason/s for Recommendation/s

7. To ensure appropriate governance is in place to oversee the delivery of the pooled fund as the Host Organisation.

Statutory and Policy Implications

8. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, data protection and information governance, finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (public health services), the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and adults at risk, service users, smarter working, sustainability and the environment and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

Financial Implications

9. The financial implications are detailed in the Nottinghamshire BCF plan. The pooled budget amounts to a minimum of £80.5m in 2018/19. Progress against the plan will be reported to the Health and Wellbeing Board on an ongoing basis as part of the Better Care Fund reporting process.

RECOMMENDATION/S

That the Committee:

1) Consider and comment on the findings of the reconciliation of the BCF Pooled Fund for Q4

2018/19.

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Constitutional Comments (KK 07/05/2019)

10. The proposal in this report is within the remit of the Finance and Major Contracts Management Committee.

Financial Comments (OC 02/05/2019)

11. The financial implications are contained within the body of the report. They are summarized in the tables below.

Q4 Pooled Budget 2018/19 £'000s	Planned Spend	Actual Spend	Variance
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Total	£80,547,909	£80,596,905	-£48,997

Background Papers and Published Documents

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

- Terms of Reference for BCF Steering Group and Finance, Planning and Performance sub-group.
- Better Care Fund Pooled Budget March 2015
- Section 75 Pooled Fund Agreement 2015/16 variation
- Section 75 Pooled Fund Agreement 2016/17
- Section 75 Pooled Fund Agreement 2017/18
- Section 75 Pooled Fund Agreement 2018/19

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

• All