

18 November 2019

Agenda Item: 6

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

BETTER CARE FUND POOLED BUDGET – Q2 2019/20 RECONCILIATION.

Purpose of the Report

1. This report sets out progress in 2019/20 against the Nottinghamshire Better Care Fund (BCF) financial plan. The Finance and Major Contracts Management Committee are invited to:

1.1 Consider and comment on the findings of the reconciliation of the BCF Pooled Fund for Q2 2019/20.

Information

2. Nottinghamshire County Council and the six Nottinghamshire Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) contributing to the pooled fund undertook a reconciliation exercise of Quarter 2 2019/20 income and expenditure.
3. Tables 1 and 2 show the difference between funding available and spend to month 6.

<i>Table 1: Quarter 2 2019/20</i>			
Contributing partner	Nottinghamshire Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs)	Nottinghamshire County Council	Total
Payments made into pooled budget	£27,629,835	£21,956,311	£49,586,146
Payments received from pooled budget	£16,903,827	£32,682,319	£49,586,146
Total spend to period 6	£16,903,827	£32,682,319	£49,586,146
<i>Under/(over) spend to period 6</i>	£0	£0	£0

4. The Nottinghamshire County Council allocation is shown in Table 2. This table shows the difference between planned spend and actual spend to month 6. The Improved Better Care Fund, Winter Pressure and Care Act Implementation funding for 2019/20 are forecasted to be spent in full.

<i>Table 2: Quarter 2 2019/20 Nottinghamshire County Council</i>			
	Planned Spend	Spend	Variance
Protecting Social Care	£8,974,267.00	£8,974,267.00	£0.00
Support for Carers	£667,408.00	£667,408.00	£0.00
Care Act Implementation	£1,084,333.50	£1,084,333.50	£0.00
Winter Pressure	£1,763,535.00	£1,763,535.00	£0.00
Improved Better Care Fund	£13,242,079.50	£13,242,079.50	£0.00
Disabled Facilities Grant (District and Borough Councils)	£6,950,696.00	£6,950,696.00	£0.00

Other Options Considered

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

Reason/s for Recommendation/s

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

Statutory and Policy Implications

7. 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

8. The financial implications are detailed in the Nottinghamshire BCF plan. The pooled budget amounts to a minimum of £92.2m in 2019/20. 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

That the Committee:

- 1.1 Consider and comment on the findings of the reconciliation of the BCF Pooled Fund for Q2 2019/20.

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Constitutional Comments (KK 05/11/2019)

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

Financial Comments (OC 04/11/2019)

10. The financial implications are contained within the body of the report. They are summarized in the table below:

<i>Q2 Pooled Budget 2019/20</i>	Planned Spend	Actual Spend	Variance
Nottinghamshire Clinical Commissioning Groups	£16,903,827	£16,903,827	£0
Protecting Social Care	£8,974,267	£8,974,267	£0
Carers	£667,408	£667,408	£0
Care Act Implementation	£1,084,334	£1,084,334	£0
Winter Pressure	£1,763,535	£1,763,535	£0
Improved Better Care Fund	£13,242,080	£13,242,080	£0
Disabled Facilities Grant (District and Borough Councils)	£6,950,696	£6,950,696	£0
Total	£49,586,146	£49,586,146	£0

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
- Section 75 Pooled Fund Agreement 2019/20
- 2019/20 Better Care Fund Planning Template National Submission

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

- All