

21 May 2018

Agenda Item: 5

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

BETTER CARE FUND POOLED BUDGET – Q4 2017/18 RECONCILIATION.

Purpose of the Report

1. This report sets out progress to date against the Nottinghamshire Better Care Fund (BCF) plan and the impact of recent policy changes. The Finance and Major Contracts Management Committee are invited to:
 - a. Consider and comment on the findings of the reconciliation of the BCF Pooled Fund for Q4 2017/18.

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 2017/18 income and expenditure.
3. Expenditure was on plan for 2017/18. Tables 1 and 2 show the difference between funding available and spend to period 12.

Table 1: Quarter 4 2017/18

Contributing partner	Nottinghamshire Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs)	Nottinghamshire County Council	Total
£'000s			
Funding within the pooled budget	£51,536,899	£22,018,967	£73,555,866
Payments received from pooled budget to NCC	£31,530,074	£42,025,792	£73,555,866
Total spend to period 12	£31,530,074	£41,956,287	£73,486,361
Under/(over) spend to period 12	-	£69,505	£69,505

4. The Nottinghamshire County Council allocation is shown in Table 2. This table shows the difference between planned spend and actual spend to period 9. The Improved Better Care Fund and Care Act Implementation funding for 2017/18 has been spent in full. Within the Disabled Facilities Grant allocation, HPAS has under spent showing in table 2. This underspend has been carried forward to use against future years' HPAS.

Table 2: Quarter 4 2017/18 Nottinghamshire County Council

£'000s	Planned Spend	Spend	Variance
Protecting Social Care	£16,739,366	£16,739,366	£0
Carers	£1,244,892	£1,244,892	£0
Care Act Implementation	£2,017,602	£2,017,602	£0
Improved Better Care Fund	£16,060,542	£16,060,542	£0
Disabled Facilities Grant (District and Borough Councils)	£5,958,425	£5,888,920	£69,505

Other Options Considered

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

Reason/s for Recommendation/s

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

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 £73.5m in 2017/18. 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 2017/18.

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Constitutional Comments (KK 09/05/2018)

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

Financial Comments (OC 08/05/2018)

10. The financial implications are contained within the body of the report. They are summarised in the tables found in paragraphs 3 and 4.

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

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

- All