

REPORT TO THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

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PROPOSED USE OF ADDITIONAL ADULT SOCIAL CARE FUNDING (2017-20)

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1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To seek the Board's approval for the proposed use of additional Adult Social Care funding allocated to the Borough for the period 2017-20.

2.0 Recommendations

2.1 Health and Wellbeing Board members are asked to:-

- Approve the proposed use of additional, non recurrent adult social care funding during this period, as summarised in Paragraph 4.2 and detailed in Appendices 1 and 2, of this report.
- Note that progress made as a result of this funding will form part of the Board's periodic consideration of the Better Care Fund Performance Report.

3.0 Introduction

3.1 Members of the Board will recall that one of the outcomes of the Spring Budget (2017) was the provision of additional funding, amounting to £2 billion, nationally, which would be made available, during 2017/18, in order to meet the following cost pressures in adult social care:

- Meeting adult social care needs.
- Reducing pressures on the NHS through enabling more people to be discharged from hospital when they are ready.
- Stabilising the social care provider market.

3.2 The additional funding allocated to Barnsley amounts to £11million over 3 years. Of this, £5.7 million will be available during 2017/18 (Year 1) with funding then tapering until £1.8 million is available in 2019/20 (Year 3).

- 3.3 The additional funding is non recurrent as it's purpose is to act as an interim measure to support local authorities in addressing significant cost pressures in adult social care which currently exist in the system. A Green Paper on adult social care was announced as part of the Spring Budget whose purpose would include options for the future funding of provision.
- 3.4 This one-off funding will be paid as a specific grant from the Department for Communities and Local Government, directly to Barnsley MBC with the following conditions:
- Funding must be spent on adult social care services and should support improved performance at the health and social care interface.
 - Funding must be pooled into the Better Care Fund and expenditure must be discussed and agreed with the Health and Wellbeing Board.
 - Spending plans for using this additional funding must be over and above anything that has already been agreed for adult social care as part of the 2017/18 Budget.
- 3.5 In requiring local authorities to pool the additional funding into the Better Care Fund, the Fund's policy framework stipulates that NHS England's powers to direct the use of the Better Care Fund will not apply to this element.

4.0 Funding Proposals

- 4.1 Further detail on the proposed use of this additional funding, in Barnsley, is set out in the attached report and accompanying spreadsheet, which was submitted for the consideration of the Board's Senior Strategic Development Group at its meeting, held on 16th May.
- 4.2 In summary, the additional funding will be prioritised to address the following, in the Borough:
1. Meet existing adult social care needs and cost pressures over and above budgeted expenditure, during 2017/18.
 2. Meet anticipated adult social care needs during 2018/19 and 2019/20.
 3. Demographic growth pressures, arising through a growing number of people aged over 65 and those with multiple or complex needs.
 4. Care provider fee pressures, including the introduction of the National Living Wage.
 5. Rising number of assessments, following the *P. vs. Cheshire West and Chester Council* judgement, concerning the Mental Capacity Act (2005) and the Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards Scheme.
 6. Learning disabilities and/or those with autism – 'Transforming Care' agenda cost pressures.
 7. Investment in the following:
 - Sustainability of the local care market.
 - Increasing service capacity in adult assessment and care management.

- Increased support offer to carers.
- Reablement and assistive living technology.
- Community resilience and prevention
- Seven day working in the NHS (Barnsley Hospital)

5.0 Financial Implications

5.1 The beneficial impact of this additional funding is outlined in Page 4, Paragraphs 15-18 of Appendix 1.

6.0 Consultation With Stakeholders

6.1 The proposed use of additional, non recurrent adult social care funding during 2017-20 has been considered and approved by the Board's Senior Strategic Leadership Group.

7.0 Conclusion And Next Steps

7.1 In considering this report, the Board is recommended to approve the proposals, summarised in Paragraph 4.2 and detailed in Appendices 1 and 2.

7.2 Details of the progress made as a result of the additional funding will be reported to the Board as part of its periodic consideration of the Barnsley Better Care Fund Performance Report.

8.0 Appendices

8.1 Appendix 1: Proposed Use Of The Additional Adult Social Care Funding (2017-20) – Report to the Senior Strategic Development Group (16th May 2017)

Appendix 2: Proposals For The Use Of Additional £4.3 Million Adult Social Care Funding

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