

# REPORT TO THE HEALTH & WELLBEING BOARD

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## Barnsley Integration and Better Care Fund Plan

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### 1. Purpose of Report

1.1 To provide the Board with an update on the contents of the Integration and Better Care Fund Plan 2017/18 to 2018/19 along with a copy of the plan as submitted on 11 September 2017 for assurance.

### 2. Recommendations

2. Health & Wellbeing Board members are asked to:-

- Note the contents of the report along with the Integration and Better Care Fund planning submission template and narrative plan and agree that any amendments to the plan as a result of the assurance process be agreed and signed off by the Chair of the Board and accountable Officer of Barnsley Clinical Commissioning Group.

### 3. Introduction/ Background

3.1 The Better Care Fund 2017/19

3.2 Following the publication of the NHS Operational Planning Guidance and Contracting Guidance 2017/19 in September 2016 which signalled that the BCF would continue into 2017/18, the Department of Health and Department for Communities and Local Government published the '2017-19 Integration and Better Care Fund' Policy Framework in March 2017, followed by the detailed planning guidance and requirements 4 July 2017.

3.3 The key changes to the policy framework from 2016/17 include:

- A requirement for plans to be developed for the two-year period 2017-19 rather than a single year and;
- The number of national conditions which local areas will need to meet through the planning process has been reduced to four.

3.4 The four national conditions require:

- That a BCF plan, including at least the minimum contribution to the pooled fund, must be signed off by the Health and Wellbeing Board, and the constituent Local Authorities and CCG's
- A demonstration of how the area will maintain in real terms the level of spending on social care services from the CCG minimum contribution to the fund in line with inflation;
- That a specific proportion of the area's allocation is invested in NHS-commissioned out of hospital services;
- All areas to implement the High Impact Change Model for Managing Transfers of Care to support system-wide improvements in transfers of care.

3.5 In addition and in line with the conditions of the additional funding for social care announced in the March budget, the plan is also required to demonstrate this funding is being used for the purposes of:

- Meeting adult social care needs;
- Reducing pressures on the NHS, including supporting more people to be discharged from hospital when they are ready; and
- Ensuring that the local social care provider market is supports.

3.6 In summary, the planning guidance required local areas to develop a joint spending plan that meets the national conditions and to submit for assurance:

1. A jointly agreed narrative plan including details of how the national conditions are being addressed; how the BCF plans will contribute to local plans for integrating health and social care; and
2. A completed planning template, demonstrating:
  - Confirmed funding contributions from each partner organisation including arrangements in relation to funding within the BCF for specific purposes;
  - A scheme-level spending plan demonstrating how the fund will be spent; and
  - Quarterly plan figures for the national performance metrics.

3.7 The Board approved the planning principles and approach to developing the plan on 8 August 2017 and due to the submission timescales agreed that sign off of the plan be delegated to the Chair of the Board and Accountable Officer of Barnsley Clinical Commissioning Group to enable to plan to be submitted on 11 September 2017 in line the planning requirements.

#### **4. Evidence of need / Link to Joint Strategic Needs Assessment**

4.1 The 2017-2019 Barnsley Integration and Better Care Fund Plan is set within the wider context of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy, building on the previous plans and contributing to delivery of the key priorities including those included

within the Barnsley Integrated Place Based Plan, enabling us to move towards our overall vision for Health and Wellbeing. The plan therefore will contribute to addressing some of the key challenges identified in the JSNA, particularly ensuring support is in place to meet the health and care needs of older people and supporting people with long term health conditions.

## **5. 2017-2019 Integration and Better Care Fund Plan**

- 5.1 In line with the approach and planning principles agreed by the Board, the Integration and Better Care Fund narrative plan and planning template were submitted for assurance on 11 September 2017.
- 5.2 The narrative plan, attached at appendix 1, sets out the local vision for integration in the context of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy and Integrated Place Based Plan as well as describing progress against our previous plans and how the national conditions will be met through delivery of the 2017-2019 plan. The narrative plan includes information in relation to:
  - The local vision and approach for health and social care integration
  - Progress against previous plans
  - The key schemes included within the 2017-19 plan
  - How plans have been jointly agreed (condition 1)
  - How provision of social care services will be maintained (condition 2)
  - The level of investment in NHS commissioned out of hospital services (condition 3)
  - The approach to managing transfers of care and avoiding delayed transfers of care (condition 4)
  - The funding contributions and expenditure plans
  - The agreed targets against the national BCF metrics.
- 5.3 The planning submission template, attached at appendix 2, provides further details of the funding sources, expenditure plans and the performance targets.
- 5.4 The regional assurance process commenced on 12 September with feedback expected week commencing 6 October 2017. Any changes required to the plan will then need to be submitted by 31 October 2017.

## **6. Conclusion/ Next Steps**

- 6.1 The plans submitted for assurance will be reviewed as part of a regional assurance process and therefore further refinements may be required to the plan before it is approved and assured. The Board are therefore asked to note the contents of the report along with the Integration and Better Care Fund planning submission template and narrative plan and agree that any amendments to the plan as a result of the assurance process be agreed and signed off by the Chair of the Board and accountable Officer of Barnsley Clinical Commissioning Group.

6.2 The final plan will be presented to the Board at the next meeting following completion of the assurance process.

## 7. Financial Implications

7.1 The required level of funding for the BCF in Barnsley has increased in 2017/18 and 2018/19, mainly to take account of the fact that the IBCF funding paid directly to local government is required to be included in the pool. The table below provides details of the contributions into the BCF pooled fund.

	<b>2017/18 Gross Contribution</b>	<b>2018/19 Gross Contribution</b>
Total Local Authority Contribution exc iBCF	£2,544,576	£2,758,216
Total iBCF Contribution	£6,803,033	£9,395,305
Total Minimum CCG Contribution	£18,590,357	£18,943,574
<b>Total BCF pooled budget</b>	<b>£27,937,966</b>	<b>£31,097,096</b>

7.2 It should be noted that, with the exception of the IBCF funding, the other funding included within the pooled fund is not new funding and therefore in developing the plan, recognition needs to be given to ensuring continuation of commissioned services and meeting other conditions for use which also applies to the funding including use of the Disabled Facilities Grant, funding to support implementation of the Care Act and providing dedicated carer specific support.

7.3 The use of the additional funding included as part of the IBCF is the same as agreed by the Health and Wellbeing Board at its meeting on 6 June 2017.

## 8. Alignment / Delivery of the Health & Wellbeing Strategy and Barnsley Place Based Plan

8.1 The 2017-2019 BCF Plan continues to be set within the wider context of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy, building on the previous plans and contributing to delivery of the key priorities including those included within the Barnsley Integrated Place Based Plan, enabling us to move towards our overall vision for Health and Wellbeing. It is important that our plans are considered within this context to ensure that our efforts are co-ordinated and that our plans come together to maximise the impact that we are able to make across the whole system for the benefit of Barnsley residents. The introduction, background and context and local vision sections of the narrative plan describe the alignment and linkages in more detail.

## **11. Appendices**

- Appendix 1 – Barnsley Integration and Better Care Fund Narrative Plan 2017-2019
- Appendix 2 - Barnsley Integration and Better Care Fund 2017-2019 Planning Template

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