

	<b><u>Agenda Item: 14</u></b>
<b>Report to:</b>	<b>Birmingham Health &amp; Wellbeing Board</b>
<b>Date:</b>	<b>24 September 2019</b>
<b>TITLE:</b>	<b>BETTER CARE FUND (BCF) GOVERNANCE AND APPROVAL FOR SCHEME OF DELEGATIONS</b>
<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Better Care Fund Commissioning Executive</b>
<b>Presenting Officer</b>	<b>N/A</b>

<b>Report Type:</b>	<b>For Decision</b>
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<b>1. Purpose:</b>
1.1 To approve minor amendments to the Better Care Fund Governance arrangements and scheme of delegations as adopted by the Health and Well-being Board in February 2019.

2. Implications:		
BHWB Strategy Priorities	Detect and Prevent Adverse Childhood Experiences	
	All children in permanent housing	
	Increase the control of individuals over their care through Integrated Personal Commissioning (Personal Health Budgets and Direct Payments)	Y
	Increasing employment/ meaningful activity and stable accommodation for those with mental health problems	
	Improving stable and independent accommodation for those learning disability	Y

	Improve the wellbeing of those with multiple complex needs	Y
	Improve air quality	
	Increased mental wellbeing in the workplace	Y
Joint Strategic Needs Assessment		Y
Joint Commissioning and Service Integration		Y
Maximising transfer of Public Health functions		
Financial		Y
Patient and Public Involvement		Y
Early Intervention		Y
Prevention		Y

### 3. Recommendations

The Board is asked to: -

- 3.1 Approve the revised Better Care Fund governance arrangements document (version 1.6) attached as **Appendix 1**.

### 4. Background and Matters for Consideration

- 4.1 The BCF provides a mechanism for joint health and social care planning and commissioning, bringing together mandated contributions from Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) allocations, the Disabled Facilities Grant (DFG) and funding paid directly to local government for adult social care services – the Improved Better Care Fund (iBCF).
- 4.2 The governance document attached as **Appendix 1** deals exclusively with the governance arrangements for the Better Care Fund.
- 4.3 The governance framework details the scheme of decision making for the programme – providing clarity on the role and responsibility of the different bodies and boards that comprise the BCF governance arrangements.
- 4.4 Version 0.6 of the governance document was signed off by the HWBB in February 2019 subject to a caveat that mechanisms for stakeholder engagement were incorporated as appropriate. As requested by HWBB,

programme leads have worked with BVSC to review stakeholder engagement arrangements for the BCF. This has resulted in minor changes to the Project Lead ToR (8.3) and in the Governance Reporting Overview (9.0).

- 4.5 A further substantive change has been made to 4.2 of the document with regards to arrangements for signing off Section 75 agreements to pool funding for the BCF programme. This is to provide clarity that in the first instance it is the role of BCC Cabinet and CCG governing boards to agree the financial contribution that their respective organisations will make to the BCF pooled budget.

## **5. Future development**

The terms of reference and governance arrangements will be reviewed annually or as required.

## **6. Compliance Issues**

### **6.1 Strategy Implications**

Health and Wellbeing Boards have overall responsibility to ensuring the integration of health and care functions within their localities. It is a requirement of the BCF that local plans are agreed by HWBB as the body who has overall accountability for the delivery of the BCF plan, and for the operation of the associated Section 75 agreement.

### **6.2 Homelessness Implications**

There are no implications in relation to meeting the requirements of the Homelessness Prevention Strategy.

### **6.3 Governance & Delivery**

Governance arrangements include the Better Care Fund Programme Board, the Commissioning Executive Board, and link firmly with the STP plans for Birmingham – BSoL and the Black Country STP areas, Adult Social Care, and NHS Commissioning Reform. The changes in this report were ratified by the Better Care Fund Commissioning Executive Board on 16<sup>TH</sup> April 2019. Sandwell and West Birmingham and BSoL CCG's governing bodies have also signed off the document.

**6.4 Management Responsibility**

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**7. Risk Analysis**

N/A

Identified Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Actions to Manage Risk
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**Appendices**

Appendix 1 - Better Care Fund Governance Arrangements Document v1.6