

	<u>Agenda Item: 9</u>
Report to:	Birmingham Health & Wellbeing Board
Date:	19th June 2018
TITLE:	BIRMINGHAM BETTER CARE FUND (BCF) PLANNED SPEND FOR 2018/19 INCLUDING THE IMPROVED BETTER CARE FUND (IBCF)
Organisation	Birmingham Better Care Fund
Presenting Officer	Margaret Ashton-Gray

Report Type:	Decision
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1. Purpose:
<p>1.1 The Better Care Fund (BCF) is a continuation of the Government's initiative to support NHS organisations and Councils in the creation of an integrated health and care system locally.</p> <p>1.2 The iBCF – a local authority section 31 grant is in its second year and is required to be part of the BCF pooled fund</p> <p>1.3 Integrated working promotes a system-wide approach to improving health and wellbeing, which contributes to the Council's outcome framework, and will also contribute to the creation of a sustainable health and care service in the local area.</p> <p>1.4 The Better Care Fund has been improved in this current financial year following additional planned assistance from the Government to recognise the continued growth in demand for health and care services.</p> <p>1.5 A BCF plan was approved in 2017/18 which determined the spending plans for 2 financial years – namely 2017/18 and 2018/19. An agreed plan is a requirement of the policy framework agreed by the Department of Health (DH) and the Department for Communities and Local Governments (DCLG), developed in partnership with the Local Government Association (LGA), the Association of Directors of Adult Social Services (ADASS) and NHS England.</p> <p>1.6 This is the fourth Better Care Fund plan for Birmingham. It builds on the plans and progress of the previous three years and has been agreed by the Birmingham BCF Commissioning Executive, Birmingham and Solihull Sustainability and Transformation Plan (STP) Board.</p>

2. Implications: # Please indicate Y or N as appropriate]		
BHWB Strategy Priorities	Child Health	
	Vulnerable People	Y
	Systems Resilience	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. Recommendation
Board members are asked to approve the spending planning template.

4. Background
4.1 The BCF plan was approved in 2017/18 for 2 financial years therefore there is not a requirement to produce a further narrative plan in this financial year. This report seeks to inform and gain approval from the Health and Wellbeing Board for the planned spending of both the BCF and iBCF for the 2018/19 financial year.

5. Compliance Issues
5.1 Strategy Implications
Health and Wellbeing Boards have overall responsibility to ensuring the integration of health and care functions within their localities and it is a requirement of the BCF that local plans are agreed by Health and Wellbeing Boards.
5.2 Governance & Delivery
Governance arrangements include the Better Care Fund 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.

5.3 Management Responsibility

Louise Collett Service Director Commissioning

6. Risk Analysis

A detailed Risk Assessment was included in the previously approved narrative plan

Appendices

1. Birmingham Integration and Better Care Narrative Plan 2017/19
2. BCF spending plan for 2018/19
3. iBCF spending plan for 2018/19
4. iBCF Outturn Finance Report 2017/18
5. BCF Outturn Finance Report 2018/18

Signatures

**Chair of Health & Wellbeing Board
(Councillor Paulette Hamilton)**

Date: