

## APPENDIX 1

### LATE REPORTS NOT ON THE FORWARD PLAN AND THOSE AUTHORISED FOR IMMEDIATE IMPLEMENTATION

6 DECEMBER 2022 – 6 MARCH 2023

Table 1 of 3 – Key Decision Reports Not on the Forward Plan<sup>1</sup>

Date	Report Title	Decision Taken By	Reason for Lateness – set out via the report
13 Dec 2022	Use of Household Support Fund	Cabinet (Key)	The Household Support Fund seeks to help vulnerable households across the three groups (all age, pension age and families with children) with essentials. These include costs relating to energy, food and water, and wider essentials. This grant provides crisis relief. This urgent decision request is in response to the urgent need to deploy and mobilise funding into Birmingham schools and nurseries to value of circa £600K for distribution to families with children prior to the December-January school holidays. This consideration requires immediate implementation protocol, as observation of the five-day standstill period following December Cabinet agreement to proceed, would negate opportunities to mobilise the deployment via schools before the end of term on 16 December 2022.
17 Jan 2023	Adult Social Care Discharge Fund	Cabinet (Key)	The Council only received confirmation of funding on 21 December 2022 and further grant condition/reporting updates on 23 December and 5 January 2023. This decision is therefore being made at the earliest opportunity to ensure funds reach care providers in line with the Grant Conditions and expectations of Government and the provider market. The conditions of the grant expect local authorities to transfer funds promptly to support current hospital pressures and there was therefore not sufficient time to progress the report under the usual Cabinet process. To mitigate the financial risks and to ensure funding only reaches those providers that are eligible but also will be able to support the conditions of the grant, funds will only be distributed to those that actively apply for it (albeit this will be widely publicised to the sector) and there needs to be sufficient time for providers to apply, for funds to be transferred and for care providers to consider and pass on to their workforce in line with Grant conditions. The reporting requirements of the Grant mean that we will need to make returns to NHS England regularly throughout Jan – March 2023. Unless this element of the Grant has been distributed during this period, we will be unable to make the necessary returns to confirm the amounts spent and the benefits of that spend. As this element of funding is over 60% of the total allocation, unless we can demonstrate the funding is being used before the end of January 2023, there is a risk it may be withdrawn. A decision has already been made by the BCF Commissioning Executive and confirmed by NHS England about how the Grant will be used overall. This report will then allow the element allocated to care provider support, to be distributed in a fair and transparent manner. Whilst there are discretionary elements of the Fund, these remain

<sup>1</sup> For clarity, there were no Emergency or Urgent Decisions taken by the Chief Executive across the period in question.

			restricted to the purpose set out in the Grant Conditions, including that funds must be spent by 31 March 2023. There are therefore limited alternative options that can be supported at such short notice. As the ongoing impact of the pandemic and winter pressures for the NHS, care providers and their staff continues, these funds will provide essential financial support to care providers in supporting recruitment and retention measures. This is also £6m that will largely end up back in the local economy. The Grant has been widely publicised by Government and a number of providers have already requested funding. Any delays in distribution may have a negative reputational impact on Birmingham City Council and our NHS partners.
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\*Further information on each of these decisions can be found on CMIS via: [CMIS > Meetings](#)

**Table 2 of 3 – Reports Authorised for Immediate Implementation**

Date	Report Title	Decision Taken By	Key Decision	Authorised for Immediate Implementation
13 Dec 2022	Use of Household Support Fund	Cabinet	Yes	Yes
17 Jan 2023	Adult Social Care Discharge Fund	Cabinet	Yes	Yes

**Table 3 of 3 – Reports Containing Confidential or Exempt Information (Not Notified)**

For the period in question, there were no reports containing confidential or exempt information, that were not notified 28 days in advance of the proposed decision.