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Health and Social Care Better Care Fund Final Outturn Report- 2017/18

Executive Summary

- 1.1 To update the Integrated Commissioning Board (ICB) and the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWBB) on the final position of the Better Care Fund (BCF) for the financial year 2017/18.
- 1.2 At its September 2017 meeting ICB allocated the capital budget brought forward from 2016/17. The February 2018 ICB monitoring report approved capital carry forward requests of £1,083k allocated to schemes which will start in 2018/19 due to lead in times and timing issues. There are now additional schemes £867k which will also be carried over, in the main this relates to the Springhill scheme which started in mid-March but for which the majority of the costs will fall in 2018/19, only £35k has been incurred in 2017/18 mainly relating to architects fees. The remainder of the carry forward is in respect of the main DFG budget and relates to timing issues with work ordered but unable to be carried out due to the inclement weather in February and March 2018. The carry forward has been arranged in the Local Authority accounts in 2017/18.
- 1.3 The revenue budget is showing a balanced position, this takes into account a transfer to the VAT provision against any potential liabilities, as in previous years, of £182k. The balance in the VAT provision is currently £401.6k.

Recommendation

- 2.1 Consider the final position for the BCF for 2017/18. The BCF return submitted on the 20th April under delegation from the ICB included the figures in this report.
- 2.2 The in-year revenue costs include a transfer to the VAT provision of £182k which leaves the revenue budget in balance for 2017/18. The current balance

in the VAT provision is now £401.6k and it is recommended that the use of this provision be reviewed by the ICB in 2018/19.

- 2.3 That some of the capital projects agreed at its September 2017 meeting have not taken place in 2017/18 and have been carried forward into 2018/19 (£867k), mainly due to a delayed start date at the Springhill project and timing of DFG works due to the inclement weather in February and March 2018, the carry forward has been arranged in the Local Authorities accounts. A separate report on the use of the BCF in 2018/19 identifies the carry forward and its planned use.

Reason for Recommendation

- 3.1 At the May ICB and HWBB the overall BCF budget for 2017/18 was approved and regular monitoring of the budget is a requirement of the Section 75 (S75) agreement. The S75 agreement was approved by ICB at its September 2017 meeting. The year-end outturn position has formed the basis of the financial information submitted to NHSE on the 20th April 2018, as part of the regulatory returns required in 2017/18.

Key Points for Consideration

- 4.1 The BCF budget was set at the ICB meeting in May in line with the BCF Policy Framework and Planning Guidance for 2017-19 and reported to NHSE on the 11th September 2017.
- 4.2 The partners must have a Section 75 agreement to support the BCF budget and this was approved by the ICB at its September meeting. As part of the Section 75 agreement regular monitoring/ reporting of the budget is a requirement.
- 4.3 **Alternatives Considered**

It is a requirement of the NHSE guidance to produce a budget for 2017/18 which the ICB approved at its May meeting. Monitoring of the budget is a requirement of the Section 75 agreement which was approved at September ICB, and the year-end figures are reported to NHSE as part of year-end returns, therefore there are no alternatives to consider.

Costs and Budget Summary

- 5.1 The BCF final revenue position shows as balanced to budget in 2017/18. This includes a contribution to the VAT provision of £182k. This is £9k less than reported in the period 10 report due to the variations below:
- Reduction in equipment costs due to less than anticipated activity - (-£22k)
 - Payment of IT licence costs for shared services- this results from the capital IT purchased from the BCF capital budget in 2016/17. The costs are one-off as the system will be replaced by Graphnet in 2018/19 which has Greater Manchester

transformation funding- (£31k).

Table 1 - BCF Revenue Final Outturn Figures

Line Number	Revenue Schemes	Budget 2017/18 £'s	Actual £'s	Variation Actual to Budget £'s
1	Funding of Social Care Services	14,645,577	14,645,577	0
2	Care Act Implementation	197,926	197,926	0
	Carers Services			
3	Carers Universal Services	400,668	401,113	445
4	Carers- Locally Enhanced Services	10,000	1,555	-8,445
5	Carers night sitting service - dementia	80,000	0	-80,000
	Carers sub total	490,668	402,668	-88,000
	Reablement Services			
6	Reablement - Dementia Support workers	81,810	81,810	0
7	Reablement - Intermediate Care Dementia Flexible workers	60,600	60,600	0
8	Reablement - Mental Health Outreach workers	100,729	100,628	-101
9	Reablement - Memory Clinic Dementia workers	47,969	47,924	-45
10	Reablement - Carers life after stroke	130,097	130,097	0
11	Reablement - Equipment loan store	936,724	913,875	-22,849
12	Contingency/Contribution to Reserve	49,121	213,549	164,428
	Reablement sub total	1,407,050	1,548,483	141,433
	Intermediate tier service			
13	Reablement (STAR's) plus to support the new service	226,867	173,434	-53,433
14	Pennine Acute ITS contract	5,566,060	5,566,060	0
15	Pennine Acute CQUIN - new funding from CCG	139,152	139,152	0
	Intermediate Care sub total	5,932,079	5,878,646	-53,433
	Total Revenue Expenditure	22,673,300	22,673,300	0
	Income			
16	Contribution from CCG	-16,178,437	-16,178,437	0
17	Contribution from LA	-6,494,863	-6,494,863	0
	Total Income	-22,673,300	-22,673,300	0
	(Surplus) income over expenditure	0	0	0

- 5.2 The 2017/18 BCF capital allocation is showing a balanced position after agreement of a carry-over of capital budget into 2018/19 of £1,950k which has been arranged in the Local Authority accounts in 2017/18.
- 5.3 The carry-over of budget has increased by £867k since the period 10 report which is due to the delay in the Springhill scheme originally due to start in February 2018 but delayed until mid-March, only £35k costs have been incurred in 2017/18, and timing delays on the main DFG budget due to the inclement weather in February and March 2018.
- 5.4 The proposed use of capital carry forwards and the 2018/19 BCF allocation is included

in a separate report.

Table 2 a - BCF Capital Final Outturn

Line Number	Capital Schemes	Budget 2017/18 £'s	Actual £'s	Budget Carry forward to 2018/19 £'s
1a	Disabled Facilities Grant (DFG)- 2017/18 (allocation see below)	2,243,351	2,078,945	-164,406
1b	Additional Allocation (DFG) allocated by Government in January 2018	227,533	227,533	0
2	Capital Grant carried over from 2016/17- allocated at September ICB			
2a	DFG - Care Homes allocation	100,000	0	-100,000
2b	DFG- Adaptations in discharge to assess accommodation	150,000	0	-150,000
2c	DFG- Adaptations to Autism Project	150,000	0	-150,000
2d	General Capital budget to support projects in the Locality Transformation Fund - Springhill	200,000	35,189	-164,811
2e	General Capital budget to support projects in the Locality Transformation Fund - Hubs	427,031	0	-427,031
3	Additional funding secured by the CCG for the Springhill Scheme	794,000	0	-794,000
	Total Capital Schemes	4,291,915	2,341,667	-1,950,248
4	Contribution from LA	-4,291,915	-2,341,667	1,950,248
	Total Capital Contributions	-4,291,915	-2,341,667	1,950,248
	(Surplus) Contribution over expenditure	0	0	0

Table 2 b Allocation of 2017/18 DFG (in line 1a Table 2 a above)

Allocation of 2017/18 DFG	Budget 2017/18 £'s	Actual £'s	Variation Actual to Budget £'s
Main DFG Budget	1,500,000	1,220,326	-279,674
Disabled Homes Repairs Assistance Grants	100,000	120,000	20,000
DFG Top Up Grants	50,000	10,000	-40,000
Stairlift Replacement	100,000	182,000	82,000
Dementia, Falls and Excess Cold Payments	50,000	20,862	-29,138
Repairs to Adaptations	20,000	5,000	-15,000
Minor Adaptations	100,000	40,000	-60,000
Assistive Technology	50,000	85,000	35,000
Changing Places	15,000	4,649	-10,351
Care Homes Offer	200,000	391,108	191,108
Contingency	58,351	0	-58,351
Total	2,243,351	2,078,945	-164,406

5.5 The use of the DFG capital is very much demand led depending on people's circumstances and requirements. There are currently no waiting lists for people accessing DFG funding although timing of works can be difficult especially during the inclement weather in February and March which led to the underspend of £164k which has been carried over into 2018/19. There is a brief update on some of the other major areas of spend below;

- There has been a good response to the work done with care homes in 2017/18 and budget to continue this in 2018/19 has been made available with a view to reducing the number of people requiring hospital admission direct from care homes (see

separate BCF 18/19 report).

Investment in care homes has been directed at the following;

- New sluice rooms
- Profiling beds
- Pressure relieving mattresses
- Conversion of bathrooms into fully accessible wet rooms
- New and upgrading of nurse call systems
- Non slip safety flooring
- Assistive technology sensors to link to nurse call systems.

An example of feedback is included below;

“The feedback from residents and their families has been fantastic. The rooms are not only cleaner, fresher and brighter but they are more hygienic and easier to clean. A number of residents are doubly incontinent so cleaning is more effective as no odour is left due to the type of flooring. There are 2 residents who are visually impaired and due to the rooms being a lot brighter the risk of them falling has now been minimised”

- A stair lift replacement programme has started in 2017/18 and will continue in 2018/19, the stair lift provider is now working closely with the service including providing additional occupational therapist resource which has increased the speed of replacements, this will result in a revenue saving to the pooled budget as repair costs to stair lifts will be reduced, ICB will be updated during 2018/19.
- Changing places schemes have been difficult to deliver due to a lack of suitable properties interested in locating them, if any locations are found in 2018/19 they will be funded from contingency.
- There has been increased spend on assistive technology in 2017/18 and this is planned to increase further in 2018/19 to make use of new emerging technology that can support the reduction of longer term health and care requirements.
- Some of the individual schemes are interlinked for example the main DFG programme funds works under the value of £8k, but if costs for an individual scheme are above £8k they would then fall into the disabled home repairs assistance budget, it is very difficult to predict the circumstances of each applicant.
- There were four top up grants approved within the system but due to unforeseen circumstances 2 of the applicants withdrew and another extension wasn't completed in year due to the inclement weather.
- The response to the falls and excess cold grants has been positive, but it has taken some time for all prescribers to be aware of the scope of these grants. The numbers of referrals has increased month on month so they are predicted to grow in 2018/19.

Risk and Policy Implications

- 6.1 Any risk of operating the BCF in 2017/18 is covered in the Section 75 agreement which was agreed by the ICB in September.
- 6.2 Most of the budgets in the BCF are fixed price contracts but there are demand led budgets which could have posed a financial risk mainly around the provision of equipment, the budget increase of 13% in 2017/18 and the regular monitoring have allowed commissioners to mitigate any risks.

6.3 There has been a risk identified in relation to recoverable VAT on the equipment loan store. A provision has been established to partly mitigate this risk and further work is being undertaken to fully understand if this risk will materialise.

Consultation

7.1 There is no requirement for consultation on the contents of this report other than with the partners i.e. the CCG and the LA. Relevant officers from both organisations have been consulted on the content of this report.

8.Background Papers	Place of Inspection
8.1 LA Monitoring working papers CCG Monitoring working papers	Number 1 Riverside Number 1 Riverside
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