

Report to Integrated Commissioning Board



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Health & Social Care Better Care Fund Outturn Report 2020/2021

Executive Summary

1. At its May 2020 meeting the Integrated Commissioning Board (ICB) agreed the revised 2020/21 budgets for the Better Care Fund (BCF), this report updates the ICB and the Strategic Place Board (SPB) with the financial outturn position for the BCF for the financial year 2020/21.

Recommendations

- 2.1 ICB notes that the revenue spend for 20/21 was £221k below budget, and that this amount has been transferred to an earmarked reserve to support the additional cost of implementing Real Living Wage based fees to local care providers in 2021/22.
- 2.2 ICB notes the forecast underspend against capital budgets of £1.575m in relation to the Disabled Facilities Grant (£1.196m), the Autism Project adaptations (£150k) and the Integrated Neighbourhood Team (INT) hubs (£230k), and the carry forward of these budgets to be spent in 2021/22.

Reason for Recommendation

3. The Strategic Place Board (SPB) have ultimate sign off of the BCF budget as mandated in the BCF Policy Framework and Planning Guidance. The SPB have delegated responsibility for the BCF to the ICB. The revised 2020/21 budget for the BCF was agreed by the ICB in May 2020, this report provides an update on the outturn position against those budgets.

Key Points for Consideration

- 4.1 The BCF revised budget was set at the ICB meeting in May 2020 in line with the BCF Policy Framework and Planning Guidance for 2017-19.
- 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 2017 meeting. This has been updated and forms part of the overall pooled Health and Social Care Section 75 agreement for 2020/21 being reported to July ICB.

Alternatives Considered

- 4.3 It is a requirement of the NHSE guidance to produce a budget for 2020/21 which the ICB approved at its May 2020 meeting. This report updates the monitoring against the 2020/21 budget which is a requirement of the Section 75 agreement. Therefore there are no alternatives to consider.

Costs and Budget Summary

- 5.1 Table 1 shows the updated 2020/21 revenue budget and the forecast financial position.

Table 1 - Revenue Budget and Outturn Position

Line No	Scheme	2020/21 Budget	2020/21 Outturn	Variance
	<u>Revenue Expenditure</u>	£'s	£'s	£'s
1	Funding of Social Care Services	19,163,202	19,163,202	-
2	Additional Funding in Adult Social Care notified in Spring Budget 2017	1,568,389	1,568,389	-
3	Care Act Implementation	205,498	205,498	-
	<u>Carers Services</u>			
4	Carers -universal services	395,456	395,456	-
5	Carers night sitting service - dementia	81,600	81,600	-
	Carers sub total	477,146	477,146	-
	<u>Reablement Services</u>			
6	Reablement - dementia support workers	86,817	86,817	-
7	Reablement - Intermediate Care dementia flexible workers	64,309	64,309	-
8	Reablement - mental health outreach workers	110,681	110,681	-
9	Reablement - memory clinic dementia workers	52,708	52,708	-
10	Reablement - carers life after stroke	137,199	137,199	-
11	Reablement - equipment loan store	974,945	805,441	(169,504)
	Reablement sub total	1,426,659	1,257,155	(169,504)

	<u>Intermediate tier service</u>			
12	Reablement (STAR's) plus to support the new service	187,117	187,117	-
13	Pennine Acute ITS contract	5,933,640	5,933,640	-
14	Pennine Acute CQUIN - new funding from CCG	74,170	74,170	-
15	Winter Pressure Funding Expenditure	1,108,358	1,108,358	-
16	Contingency for revenue schemes	82,869	31,022	(51,847)
	Intermediate Care sub total	7,371,529	7,334,307	(51,847)
	Total Revenue Expenditure	30,227,048	30,005,697	(221,351)
	<u>Income</u>			
17	Contribution from CCG	(17,933,566)	(17,933,566)	-
18	Contribution from LA	(9,616,735)	(9,616,735)	-
19	Contribution from LA additional Grant notified in 2017 Spring Budget	(1,568,389)	(1,568,389)	-
20	Contribution from LA - Winter Pressure Funding	(1,108,358)	(1,108,358)	-
	Total Income	(30,227,048)	(30,227,048)	-
	(Surplus) income over expenditure	0	(221,351)	(221,351)

- 5.2 There has been an in-year saving of £169k against the reablement equipment budget This is due to £85k of equipment purchased being rechargeable against the Covid Hospital Discharge programme and a general reduction in spend due to Covid restrictions.
- 5.3 BCF Contingency of £31k has been used to fund the Urgent Treatment Centre highways signage leaving an unallocated contingency balance of £52k.

- 5.4 Overall there has been an in-year saving of £221k. This amount will be an additional contribution to Adult Social Care, and will be transferred into an earmarked reserve to support the additional cost of introducing higher social care fees for 2021/22, allowing local care providers to pay the Real Living Wage.
- 5.5 The capital DFG budget is included in tables 2a/2b below. The figures include the 2020/21 capital allocation and the balance carried over from 2019/20, together with an additional allocation of £354k from the Government received in December 2020.
- 5.6 Capital Budget Carry Forwards of £635k were agreed to be brought forward to 2020/21. £72k of this carry forward relates to DFG budgets, £150k is set aside for Adaptations to the planned Autism Project, and the remaining £413k has been earmarked to fund the capital costs in relation to Adult Social Care and Health integration hubs across the 6 localities.
- 5.7 The final outturn for 2020/21 is an underspend of £1.575m against the capital budget, which will be carried forward to 2021/22. This includes the £150k budget identified for adaptations to the Autism Project, £230k to be spent on INT hubs, and £1.196m against the DFG.

5.8 Table 2a 2020/21 BCF Capital Outturn

Line No	Capital Schemes	2020/21 Budget	2020/21 Outturn	Variance
		£'s	£'s	£'s
1a	Disabled Facilities Grant (DFG)- 2020/21 (see allocation below)	3,060,036	1,864,287	(1,195,749)
	Total DFG in allocation below	3,060,036	1,864,287	(1,195,749)
2	Capital Grant carried over from 2019/20			
2a	DFG- Adaptations to Autism Project	150,000	0	(150,000)
2b	Adult Social Care and Health Integration Hubs	412,965	183,310	(229,655)
	Total Capital Schemes	3,623,001	2,047,597	(1,575,404)
3	Contribution from LA	(3,623,001)	(2,047,597)	1,575,404
	Total Capital Contributions	(3,623,001)	(2,047,597)	1,575,404
	(Surplus) Contribution over expenditure	0	0	0

5.9 The DFG programme was put on hold due to Covid and social distancing requirements, however spend was incurred for projects already underway that were completed in early 20/21. The DFG programme resumed in July, however due to the slow start, additional funding received and continuing restrictions as a result of Covid, there has been an underspend in year of £1.196m. This funding will be carried forward to 2021/22 to help address the backlog that has built up once Covid restrictions have been eased. See table 2b below for details on spend against each scheme.

5.10 The unspent balance against the Autism Project adaptations (£150k) and the INT hubs (£230k) will be carried forward to 2021/22.

5.11 Table 2b Detail of DFG Budget and Outturn included in table 2a above

Line No	Allocation of DFG	2020/21 Budget	2020/21 Outturn	Variance
		£'s	£'s	£'s
4	Main DFG Budget	2,176,865	1,495,787	(681,078)
5	DFG Top Up Grants	10,000	12,500	2,500
6	Minor Adaptations	160,000	160,000	0
7	Assistive Technology	75,000	55,000	(20,000)
8	Dementia, Falls and Excess Cold Payments	10,000	5,000	(5,000)
9	Repairs to Adaptations	20,000	6,000	(14,000)
10	Housing Options for Older People (HOOP) service	40,000	40,000	0
11	Care Homes Offer	96,000	70,000	(26,000)
12	Contribution to RBH new build properties for service users who we are unable to adapt for	45,000	20,000	(25,000)
13	Contingency	427,171	0	(427,171)
	Total	3,060,036	1,864,287	(1,195,749)

Risk and Policy Implications

6.1 Any risk of operating the BCF in 2020/21 is covered in the Section 75 agreement which was agreed by the ICB in September 2017. This has been updated and forms part of the overall pooled Health and Social Care Section 75 agreement for 2020/21 reported to July ICB.

- 6.2 Most of the budgets in the BCF are fixed price contracts but there are demand led budgets which could pose a financial risk mainly around the provision of equipment. Regular monitoring will allow commissioners to mitigate any risks and contingencies are included in both the capital and revenue budgets which could be used to mitigate risks.

Consultation

7. 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.

Background Papers	Place of Inspection
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8. LA Monitoring Working papers	Number 1 Riverside
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