

## **HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD COMMISSIONING SUB-COMMITTEE**

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	<b>Report for Resolution/ Report for Information</b>
<b>Title:</b>	Better Care Fund Programme 2017/18 -2018/19
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<b>Brief summary:</b>	<p>The Better Care Fund (BCF) is a programme spanning both the NHS and local government, which seeks to join up health and care services so that people can manage their own health and wellbeing, and live independently in their own homes and communities for as long as possible. The BCF supports integration by encouraging Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) and local authorities to enter into pooled budgets arrangements and agree an integrated spending plan.</p> <p>The pooled budget arrangements agreed under the Better Care Fund Programme have helped local health and social care services to prioritise spending in a way that makes the most of funding available from central government and achieve better, more integrated services for patients and citizens, with less strain on our health and social care systems.</p> <p>Early in 2017 it was identified that there was an over commitment within the BCF and savings were required to bring the schemes back down into the cost envelope. A paper was submitted to the December 2017 Health and Wellbeing Board Commissioning Sub Committee to agree the majority of savings to enable the submission of a balanced budget and BCF plan to NHS England.</p> <p>Since then two further services have been reviewed - the LION directory and the utilisation of the Disabled Facilities Grant (DFG). Appendix 1 sets out the level of savings against the LION directory and it sets out the utilisation of the DFG grant to support the delivery of the Assistive Technology (AT) service.</p>
<b>Is any of the report exempt from publication?</b> <i>If yes, include reason</i>	No

**Recommendation to the Health and Wellbeing Board Commissioning Sub-Committee:**

The Health and Wellbeing Board Commissioning Sub-Committee is requested to:

- a) ratify the proposed savings for the LION Directory outlined in Appendix 1; and
- b) approve the utilisation of the Disabled Facilities Grant grant to support the delivery of the Assistive Technology service in 2017-2018 outlined in Appendix 1.

**Contribution to Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy:**

<b>Health and Wellbeing Strategy aims and outcomes</b>	<b>Summary of contribution to the Strategy</b>
Aim: To increase healthy life expectancy in Nottingham and make us one of the healthiest big cities	<p>The savings and utilisation proposals do not detract from the main objectives of our Better Care Fund Plan which are to: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Remove false divides between physical, psychological and social needs</li> <li>- Focus on the whole person, not the condition</li> <li>- Support citizens to thrive, creating independence - not dependence</li> </ul>
Aim: To reduce inequalities in health by targeting the neighbourhoods with the lowest levels of healthy life expectancy	
Outcome 1: Children and adults in Nottingham adopt and maintain healthy lifestyles	
Outcome 2: Children and adults in Nottingham will have positive mental wellbeing and those with long-term mental health problems will have good physical health	
Outcome 3: There will be a healthy culture in Nottingham in which citizens are supported and empowered to live healthy lives and manage ill health well	
Outcome 4: Nottingham's environment will be sustainable – supporting and enabling its citizens to have good health and wellbeing	
<b>How mental health and wellbeing is being championed in line with the Health and Wellbeing Board's aspiration to give equal value to mental and physical health</b>	
All schemes, both mental and physical health have followed the same review process.	

<b>Reason for the decision:</b>	<p>Health and social care have continued to work in partnership to deliver efficiencies to manage the overall budgetary pressures within Health and Council budgets.</p> <p>This commitment has resulted in a review of these two services and efficiencies / utilisation have been identified as outlined in Appendix 1.</p>
<b>Total value of the decision:</b>	<p>£100,000 in 2017/18</p> <p>£29,000 in 2018/19</p>
<b>Financial implications and comments:</b>	The proposals contained in this report and

	<p>detailed in Appendix 1 will support the delivery of a balanced BCF Pooled Budget and mitigate service pressures within the Local Authority and CCG.</p> <p>Prioritisation of the Disabled Facilities Grant to support capital spend within the Assistive Technology Service aligns to conditions of the grant and will realise efficiencies of £100,000 2017-2018 within the overall BCF programme.</p>
<b>Procurement implications and comments (including where relevant social value implications):</b>	N/A
<b>Other implications and comments, including legal, risk management, crime and disorder:</b>	N/A
<b>Equalities implications and comments:</b> <i>(has an Equality Impact Assessment been completed? If not, why?)</i>	<p>Equality Impact Assessments were not required for both these proposals due to there being no direct impact on citizens.</p> <p>DFG –The agreed funding allocation reduction to Major Adaptations was in line with the team’s ability to spend the budget given staffing and occupational therapy capacity.</p> <p>LION – It will not result in any reduction of services that directly affect citizens.</p>
<b>Published documents referred to in the report:</b> <i>e.g. legislation, statutory guidance, previous Sub Committee reports and minutes</i>	<p>Health and Wellbeing Board Commissioning Sub Committee 27<sup>th</sup> July 2017 (Better Care Fund Update Report)</p> <p>Health and Wellbeing Board Commissioning Sub Committee 13<sup>th</sup> December 2017 (Better Care Fund Savings 2017/18 -2018/19)</p>
<b>Background papers relied upon in writing the report:</b> <i>Documents which disclose important facts or matters on which the decision has been based and have been relied on to a material extent in preparing the decision. This does not include any published works e.g. previous Board reports or any exempt documents.</i>	N/A
<b>Other options considered and rejected:</b>	No reduction in budget. This was rejected, on the basis that there is a continuing need to identify efficiencies due to the budgetary and demand pressures within health and social care.