

**Nottingham City Health and Wellbeing Board
Commissioning Sub-Committee
25 January 2023**

Report Title:	Better Care Fund 22-23 Better Care Fund Adult Social Care Discharge Fund - retrospective approval
Lead Officer(s) / Board Member(s):	Katy Ball, Director of Commissioning and Procurement Sarah Fleming, Programme Director for System Development, Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care Board
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Other colleagues who have provided input:	
Subject to call-in:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Key Decision:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Criteria for a Key Decision:	
(a) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Expenditure <input type="checkbox"/> Income <input type="checkbox"/> Savings of £750,000 or more, taking account of the overall impact of the decision and/or	
(b) Significant impact on communities living or working in two or more wards in the City <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Type of expenditure:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Capital
Total value of the decision:	£3,280,605
Executive Summary:	
<p>1. The purpose of this paper is to approve the Nottingham City 2022-23 Better Care Fund Adult Social Care Discharge Fund planning requirements, which were submitted to NHS England on 16 December 2022.</p>	
Purpose of the Better Care Fund Adult Social Care Discharge Fund	
<p>2. The Better Care Fund (BCF) Adult Social Care Discharge Fund was announced on 16th November. The fund is targeted at interventions that best enable the discharge of patients from hospital to the most appropriate location for their ongoing care. The aim of the fund is to free up the maximum number of hospital beds, reduce bed days lost and to boost general adult social care workforce capacity through recruitment and retention where this reduces delayed discharges.</p>	
<p>3. The funding will be released in two tranches with 40% released in December and the remaining 60% at the end of January 2023 subject to providing a planned spending report and fortnightly activity data. Spending against tranche 1 can commence once local plans have been agreed by the ICB and local authorities.</p>	

4. The funding allocations were calculated nationally to target areas with the most significant discharge challenges.

Process for agreeing the Discharge Fund plans

5. Nottingham City Council, Nottinghamshire County Council and Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care Board established a task and finish group to coordinate the submission for the Discharge Fund. Each organisation confirmed the opportunities for investment based on the system winter plans that have already been developed and any additional opportunities that could support an increase in discharges.
6. Submission of the plans to NHS England was due on 16th December and therefore plans were approved by delegated authority. The plans were signed off by Mel Barrett, Chief Executive, Nottingham City Council and Amanda Sullivan, Chief Executive, Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care Board.
7. There is a national expectation of fortnightly reporting against the plans commencing on 30th December 2022.
8. The plans will be included in the BCF section 75 agreements which are due to be signed off by 31st January 2023.

Schemes funded by the allocation

9. The schemes need to be operationalised to impact on discharges over winter and within the current financial year to March 2023. The submission reflects opportunities based on the system winter plans that have already been developed and additional opportunities that could support an increase in discharges.
10. There is an opportunity to continue to adjust plans as we progress through the winter to ensure funding is targets on the opportunities that maximise discharge from hospital.
11. The Health and Wellbeing Board sub-committee is asked to approve the Better Care Fund Adult Social Care Discharge Fund plan.

Does this report contain any information that is exempt from publication?

The Better Care Fund Adult Social Care Discharge Fund plan.

Recommendation(s): The Committee is asked to:

Approve the 2022/23 Better Care Fund Adult Social Care Discharge Fund plan.

The Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy

Aims and Priorities

Aim 1: To increase healthy life expectancy in Nottingham through addressing the wider determinants of health and enabling people to make healthy decisions

How the recommendation(s) contribute to meeting the Aims and Priorities:

The priorities for 2022-23 build on our progress to date and reflect system transformation priorities, with a focus on supporting discharge from hospital.

Aim 2: To reduce health inequalities by having a proportionately greater focus where change is most needed	The BCF continues to support a joined-up approach to integration across health, care, housing and other agencies such as the voluntary sector to support people to live independently at home. The Adult Social Care Discharge Fund has a specific focus on hospital discharge during winter.
Priority 1: Smoking and Tobacco Control	
Priority 2: Eating and Moving for Good Health	
Priority 3: Severe Multiple Disadvantage	
Priority 4: Financial Wellbeing	
<p>How mental health and wellbeing is being championed in line with the Board's aspiration to give equal value to mental and physical health:</p> <p>The schemes and services that form the Better Care Fund plan include care coordination and multi-disciplinary health and care planning. This should include meeting mental health needs as part of proactive care pathways and hospital discharge planning.</p> <p>This has been strengthened by the maturing Place Based Partnership (PBP) in its ability to build further integration and joined up system working and delivery of holistic health and care.</p>	

1. Reasons for the decision

- 1.1 The report template was agreed for submission to NHSE by the Chief Executives of Nottingham City Council and Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care Board, subject to formal ratification at the Nottingham City Health and Wellbeing Board Commissioning Sub-committee on the 25 January 2023.
- 1.2 The Nottingham City Health and Wellbeing Board Commissioning Sub-committee is asked to formally ratify the submission template. The Nottingham City 2022-23 Better Care Fund Adult Social Care Fund template submission is shown in full at **Appendix 1**.

2. Other options considered and rejected

- 2.1 N/A

3. Risk implications

- 3.1 N/A

4. Financial implications

- 4.1 Allocations are

5. Procurement implications

- 5.1 N/A

6. Equalities implications

6.1 Equality Impact Assessments are completed by the appropriate commissioning organisation as part of the implementation of new services or significant changes to existing services.

7. Any further implications

7.1 N/A

8. List of background papers relied upon in writing this report (not including published documents or confidential or exempt information)

8.1 N/A

9. Published documents referred to in this report

9.1 [Adult Social Care Discharge Fund - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](http://www.gov.uk)