

NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD COMMISSIONING SUB COMMITTEE

MINUTES of the meeting held at LH 2.32 - Loxley House, Nottingham on 13 October 2015 from 2.08 - 2.33

Voting Members

Present

Colin Monckton (Substitute voting member and Chair)(NCC)
Maria Principe (CCG)
Dr Ian Trimble (CCG)

Absent

Candida Brudenell (NCC)
Councillor Alex Norris (NCC)

Non-Voting Members

Present

Lucy Davidson (CCG)
Martin Gawith (Healthwatch)

Absent

Katy Ball (NCC)
Alison Michalska (NCC)
Alison Challenger (NCC)

Colleagues, partners and others in attendance:

Helene Denness - Consultant in Public Health (NCC)
Antony Dixon - Strategic Commissioning Manager (NCC)
Darren Revill - Finance Analyst (NCC)
Jo Williams - Assistant Director Health and Social Care Integration, (CCG)
Phil Wye - Constitutional Services Officer

17 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Alex Norris
Candida Brudenell

18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

19 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 8 September 2015 were confirmed and signed by the Chair.

20 BETTER CARE FUND QUARTER 2 BUDGET MONITORING REPORT

Darren Revill, Finance Analyst, presented the joint report of the Director of Finance and the Corporate Director for Children and Adults, summarising the second quarter

Better Care Fund (BCF) Monitoring Report and updating the Commissioning Sub-Committee on the pay for performance element of the fund.

There is a forecasted underspend in 2015/16 of £2.348 million. Applying the agreed approach to meet any pay for performance shortfall from underspends within the pooled fund, this figure is reduced to £1.834 million.

RESOLVED to

(1) note the cash flow position of the BCF Pooled Fund as at Quarter 2 of 2015/16:

	Cash Flow at end of Quarter 2
Funding into Pool:	
CCG Baseline (Minimum Contribution)	£10,711,000
Other CCG Allocation	£916,000
NEL Adjustment	£153,000
CCG Sub-Total	£11,474,000
Disabled Facilities Grant	£507,000
Social Care Capital Grant	£432,000
Social Care Contribution	£358,000
City Council Sub-Total	£1,296,000
Total Income	£12,770,000
Funding out of Pool:	
CCG	£4,916,000
City Council	£6,772,000
Total Expenditure	£11,688,000
Fund Balance	£1,082,000

(2) note the forecast position of the BCF Pooled Budget as at Quarter 2 of 2015/16 as an underspend of £1.834 million;

(3) note the updated position in relation to the Pay for Performance element of the fund:

BCF Period	Measurement Period	NEL Target	Value of Pay for Performance	Achieved	Shortfall
Quarter 1	January to March 2015	-3.5%	£361,000	£208,000	£153,000
Quarter 2	April to June 2015	-1.6%	£184,000	£184,000	£0
Quarter 3	July to September 2015	-1.6%	£180,000		
Quarter 4	October to December	-1.6%	£180,000		
Total			£905,000	£392,000	£153,000

21 BETTER CARE FUND (BCF) 15-16 UNDERSPEND PROPOSALS

Antony Dixon, Strategic Commissioning Manager, presented the report of the Corporate Director for Children and Adults, updating the Sub-Committee on proposals for utilisation of the Better Care Fund (BCF) underspend, which will support the delivery of BCF metrics, support further integration of Health and Social Care provision in the city and improve outcomes for vulnerable older citizens and those with long-term conditions.

Antony highlighted the following:

- (a) a substantial in-year underspend of the BCF pooled budget against agreed funding has been identified, predominantly due to delay in implementing seven day service provision;
- (b) eight proposals have been made in order to ensure continued delivery against BCF metrics and improve citizen outcomes. These are all short-term measures that require funding in-year;
- (c) the first proposal is for a contingency fund to mitigate against any failure to deliver pay for performance targets. As guidance in relation to future pay for performance elements of the BCF is not yet available, if there is no future pay for performance element of the BCF this will be released back into the underspend;

The following answers were given in response to questions from the Sub-Committee:

- (d) the minimum wage uplift will raise the hourly rate of Care at Home Framework providers earlier than the original intention of April 2016. This will assist in recruiting new workers in an increasingly competitive area;
- (e) the proposals for reducing unnecessary delays were clarified. This is a proposal to apply mental health principles to the care of physical health patients, in particular post-operative period to reduce length of stay. The Sub-Committee felt that the language used for this was subjective and could be improved;
- (f) the outcomes from the pilots will be reported back at different times depending on their timescales;
- (g) the full contract value of the proposal for Care at Home Framework 24 Hour Pick Up is £201,541, however the estimated cost to the pooled fund is £85,153.

RESOLVED to

- (1) approve proposals for utilisation of 2015/16 BCF underspend and approve spend to the value of £1,013,906 as detailed below:**

Proposal	Value of proposal
Contingency fund for 2016/17 Pay for	£400,000

Performance	
Care at Home Framework – Winter Wage Uplift	£140,000
Reducing unnecessary delays	£37,850
Care at Home Framework – 24 hour pick up	£201,541
Care at Home reviewer pilot	£68,814
Community Navigator pilot	£35,000
Extension of Nottingham Health and Care Point	£94,820
Extension of Urgent Care Interim Homecare	£35,881
Total	£1,013,906

- (2) approve dispensation from section 5.1.1 of the council’s contract procedure rules in accordance with section 3.29 of the council’s financial regulations in relation to the award of contracts for 24 hour Care at Home urgent pick up pilots to Nottingham City Council Care Bureau;
- (3) approve dispensation from section 5.1.1 of the council’s contract procedure rules in accordance with section 3.29 of the council’s financial regulations in relation to the extension of a contract for the Community Navigator pilot to Bestwood Directions;
- (4) approve carry forward of BCF underspend to meet the cost of these proposals, currently estimated at £537,000.

22 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED to exclude the public from the meeting during consideration of the remaining item in accordance with section 100a(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 on a basis that, having regard to all the circumstances, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information.

23 BETTER CARE FUND (BCF) 15-16 UNDERSPEND PROPOSALS - PROCUREMENT AND LEGAL COMMENTS

The sub-committee noted the information in the exempt appendices.

DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

The Sub-Committee agreed that, From January 2017, they will meet quarterly on the third Wednesday of the month. These dates will be confirmed with Sub-Committee members in due course.