

Wiltshire Council

Health and Wellbeing Board

8 September 2022

Subject: BCF End of Year Submission short summary

Executive Summary

1.1 This report provides the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) with an executive briefing of the end of year submission for the Better Care Fund (BCF) for the Wiltshire locality.

The template was submitted to the BCF National Team on May 26th, 2022. Councillor Richard Clewer, co-chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board was made aware of the submission via email, but it is a requirement of BCF governance arrangements that this is formally presented to the Health and Wellbeing Board.

1.2 The submission was populated by the financial out-turn position statement of the Better Care Fund (BCF) for 2021/22:

Running Balances	Income	Expenditure	Balance
DFG	4,377,192	2,921,720	1,455,472
Minimum CCG Contribution	33,882,212	34,553,254	-671,042
iBCF	14,053,167	6,507,311	7,545,856
Additional LA Contribution	5,080,155	3,814,015	1,266,140
Additional CCG Contribution	10,000	2,010,000	-2,000,000
Total	57,402,726	49,806,300	7,596,426

1.3 National conditions set out below were all met:

National Condition	Confirmation
1) A Plan has been agreed for the Health and Wellbeing Board area that includes all mandatory funding and this is included in a pooled fund governed under section 75 of the NHS Act 2006? (This should include engagement with district councils on use of Disabled Facilities Grant in two tier areas)	Yes
2) Planned contribution to social care from the CCG minimum contribution is agreed in line with the BCF policy?	Yes
3) Agreement to invest in NHS commissioned out of hospital services?	Yes
4) Plan for improving outcomes for people being discharged from hospital	Yes

1.4 The end of year statements confirmed use of the BCF as an enabler of integrated working:

1. The overall delivery of the BCF has improved joint working between health and social care in our locality	Wiltshire as a locality of BSW CCG and Wiltshire Council have formed an Alliance and a governing structure around the BCF which enables integrated review of existing services and joint future planning and commissioning of integrated services
2. Our BCF schemes were implemented as planned in 2021-22	All BCF schemes were implemented as planned in 21-22
3. The delivery of our BCF plan in 2021-22 had a positive impact on the integration of health and social care in our locality	The BCF plan held many of the schemes which supported the implementation of the Locality Hospital Discharge Service during the pandemic response, and so the plan became the enabler for integrated planning and working.

1.6 The Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) and the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) have published a Policy Framework for the implementation of the Better Care Fund (BCF) in 2022-23. The framework forms part of the NHS mandate for 2022-23.

1.7 The use of BCF mandatory funding streams must be jointly agreed by Integrated Care Boards (ICBs) and Local Authorities to reflect local health and care priorities. Plans must be signed off by Health and Wellbeing Boards.

1.8 The planning guidance was issued on 19th July with a final submission date for the plan of 26th September. This timeline will miss the deadline for submission to the Health and Wellbeing Board. As there are no planned Health and Wellbeing Board meetings in October or November it is therefore proposed that sign-off for the plan is delegated to the Chair, in consultation with the Corporate Director of People (Wiltshire Council) and the Place Director-Wiltshire (Integrated Care Board).

Proposal(s)

It is recommended that the Board:

- i) Notes the end of year BCF submission 21/22
- ii) Approves the delegated sign-off of the Better Care Fund Plan to the Chair

Helen Mullinger
Better Care Fund Programme Lead
Wiltshire ICA
