

Agenda Item 25.

TITLE	Better Care Fund Quarter 1 Submission
FOR CONSIDERATION BY	Health and Wellbeing Board on Thursday, 9 August 2018
WARD	None Specific;
DIRECTOR/ KEY OFFICER	Katie Summers, Director of Operations, Wokingham Locality, NHS Berkshire West CCG and Martin Sloan, Interim Director of Adult Social Services, Wokingham Borough Council

Health and Wellbeing Strategy priority/priorities most progressed through the report	<p>This report meets three of the four priorities of the HWB Strategy</p> <p>Priority 1 – Enabling and empowering resilient communities;</p> <p>Priority 3 – Reducing health inequalities in our Borough;</p> <p>Priority 4 – Delivering person-centred integrated services</p>
Key outcomes achieved against the Strategy priority/priorities	To provide assurance to the Board on the activities of the Better Care Fund Programme, this focuses on delivery of the Boards strategic priorities.

Reason for consideration by Health and Wellbeing Board	To provide an update of Wokingham's Better Care Fund (BCF) Programme performance for Quarter 1 2018/19
What (if any) public engagement has been carried out?	None required
State the financial implications of the decision	Nil

RECOMMENDATION

That the board notes the performance of the Better Care Fund in Q1 2018/19.

SUMMARY OF REPORT

The Q1 BCF submission provides a summary of Wokingham's BCF Programme performance for Q1 of 2018/19, including progress of milestones, challenges, performance metrics and delivery against the 8 High Impact Change Model to reduce delayed transfers of care (DToC).

Background

As part of The Integration and Better Care Fund, Operating Guidance For 2017-19 (Published 18 July 2018) each BCF is required to submit quarterly reports to NHS England and Ministry for Housing, Community and Local Government.

The primary purpose of the BCF quarterly reporting is to provide national partners with a clear and accurate account of compliance with the key requirements and conditions of the fund as set out in the Policy and the Planning Requirements. The secondary purpose is to inform policy making and the national support offer by providing a fuller insight, based on narrative feedback from systems, on local progress, issues and highlights on implementation of the BCF plans.

It is expected that these reports are discussed and signed-off by Health and Wellbeing Boards (or with appropriate delegation) as part of their responsibility for overseeing BCF plans locally. In Wokingham we have agreed delegation from the HWB that the chair signs off these submissions, but that the submission will be shared at the next HWB convened.

Section 195 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012 states that HWBs are expected to continue to oversee the strategic direction of the BCF and the delivery of better integrated care, as part of their statutory duty to encourage integrated working between commissioners.

In order for the HWB to review performance of the BCF and consider future work, it would need to have the appropriate information reported to it from a partnership board. HWBs can require CCGs that are represented on the HWB, and the LA that established the HWB, to provide it with relevant information, for example the quarterly reports and annual report.

Partner Implications	
N/A	
Reasons for considering the report in Part 2	
N/A	
List of Background Papers	
Enc. 1 – Wokingham HWB Better Care Fund Q1 Submission 2018/19	
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