

AGENDA ITEM

REPORT TO HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

27th April 2016

REPORT OF: Director of Adults and Health and Chief Officer for Hartlepool and Stockton on Tees CCG

STOCKTON BETTER CARE FUND PLAN 2016

SUMMARY

The purpose of this paper is to seek approval from the Health and Wellbeing Board for the Stockton Better Care Fund Plan 2016 prior to its submission to NHS England for assessment.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that Health and Wellbeing Board:

1. Approve the submission of the Stockton Better Care Fund Plan 2016

BACKGROUND

1. The original Better Care Fund (BCF) plan was approved by the Health and Well-being Board at its meeting on 20th September 2014 and was submitted to the Department of Health. The plan was 'Approved' in December 2014.
2. Significant progress has been made implementing this plan and quarterly update reports, approved by this Board, have been submitted to NHS England for monitoring purposes.
3. There is now a requirement to review the original plan and submit a revised by on 3rd May 2016.

DETAIL

4. The Stockton Better Care Fund plan is broken down into two main schemes and five enablers:

Main Schemes	Enablers
Multi-Disciplinary Service (MDS) Dementia Pathways	7 day working Joint Assessments Digital Health Narrowing Health Inequalities ICT Systems and Data Sharing

5. The revised plan is attached at appendix 1 for the narrative and appendix 2 for the financial and performance information. The narrative plan sets out all the progress and each of the projects which have been approved by the Pooled Budget Partnership Board to support the main schemes.
6. The first phase of the Better Care Fund concentrated mainly on early intervention and prevention, dealing with people not currently known to Adult Social Care. The priorities for 2016/17 build upon our main schemes but with a slightly different emphasis, now capturing people who are known to social care and other health professionals and would benefit from co-ordination of their care. The projects identified are:
 - Delayed Transfers of Care – services and pathways
 - Single Point of Access – shared health and social care service
 - Health pathway referrals into the MDS – building on pilot work with GP practices
 - Digital Integration – Medical Interoperability Gateway (MIG) to be rolled out initially and then the wider integration project – now linking into the Digital 2020 project
 - Business cases to mainstream services
 - Long term care – care co-ordination putting the person at the centre
7. The assurance process is set out in the table below:

First submission – Planning Return	2 nd March 2016
Assurance of Planning Return	March 2016
Second submission of Planning Return plus the draft narrative plan	21 st March 2016
Assurance status of draft plans	8 th April 2016
Final BCF plans submitted signed off by Health and Well-being Boards	25th April 2016 3 rd May 2016

8. The draft plans, were all submitted to NHS England for an initial assessment in accordance with above timetable. The plan is currently assessed as 'Approved with Support' and areas for improvement have been identified. The plan attached has been amended taking into account the feedback.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

9. Financial risks have been assessed and contingency arrangements have been developed to mitigate the risk of not delivering the performance targets set out in the BCF plan.

RISK ASSESSMENT

10. The BCF requires partners to develop a shared risk register and have an agreed approach to managing and sharing risk. The BCF Plan also identifies

proposed contingency arrangements in the event that the expected reductions in emergency admissions are not achieved.

COMMUNITY STRATEGY IMPLICATIONS

11. The BCF plan supports the delivery of the Stockton-on-Tees Community Strategy and Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy. Making a significant contribution to a number of the key themes including; healthier communities and adults; helping people to remain independent; improved access to integrated health and social care services and promoting healthy living. The BCF plan also focuses on older adults, one of the key supporting themes in the community strategy.

CONSULTATION

12. The BCF plan has been jointly developed and agreed with key stakeholders from the LA, CCG, primary care and community, acute and mental health service providers. The plan has been informed by a range of engagement activities, involving service users, carers, families and the public, that were already underway focusing on a range of local health and social care services.

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