

Doncaster Health and Wellbeing Board

Date: 13 June 2019

Subject: Doncaster Health and Social Care Commissioning Strategy 2019-2021/

Better Care Fund 2018/19 Quarter 4 Update

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Purpose of bringing this report to the Board		
Decision	✓	
Recommendation to Full Council		
Endorsement		
Information	✓	

Implications		Applicable Yes/No
DHWB Strategy Areas of Focus	Substance Misuse (Drugs and Alcohol)	
	Mental Health	
	Dementia	
	Obesity	
	Children and Families	
Joint Strategic Needs Assessment		
Finance		
Legal		
Equalities		
Other Implications (please list) To comply with the statutory requirement for BCF plans and returns to be jointly agreed and signed off by Health and Wellbeing Boards		✓

How will this contribute to improving health and wellbeing in Doncaster?

The Better Care Fund (BCF) is a single pooled budget for health and social care services to work more closely together in local areas, based on a plan agreed between the NHS and local authority which is then signed off by the Health and Wellbeing Board. The BCF encompasses a substantial level of funding in order to support health and social care integration.

Recommendations

The Board is asked to note the presentation on the Doncaster Health and Social Care Commissioning Strategy 2019-2021 and, in relation to the Better Care Fund update:

- 1. note progress against the BCF national conditions, performance indicators, the final BCF outturn position for 2018/19 and general positive progress towards the integration of health and social care in Doncaster;
- 2. consider the challenges in delivering the BCF plan and actions that could be taken to address these at the strategic level;
- 3. note that a BCF plan for 2019-20 and supporting Section 75 Agreement will be finalised as soon as funding allocations and planning guidance are received;
- 4. agree sign off arrangements for the BCF plan for 2019-20 between Board meetings;
- 5. note the action that is being taken to prepare for more major changes to the BCF anticipated for 2020/21 onwards.