

Bury Health and Wellbeing Board

Title of the Report	Better Care Fund 2017-19
Date	1 September 2017
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Executive Summary

Is this report for?	Information <input type="checkbox"/>	Discussion <input type="checkbox"/>	Decision <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Why is this report being brought to the Board?	To seek Health and Wellbeing Board sign off for the Bury submission to the Better Care Fund 2017-19.		
Please detail which, if any, of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy priorities the report relates to. (See attached Strategy) www.theburydirectory.co.uk/healthandwellbeing/board	The Better Care Fund primarily focuses upon: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Living Well with a Long Term Condition • Ageing Well 		
Please detail which, if any, of the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment priorities the report relates to. (See attached JSNA) http://jsna.theburydirectory.co.uk/kb5/bury/jsna/home.page	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Living Well with a Long Term Condition • Ageing Well 		
Key Actions for the Health and Wellbeing Board to address – what action is needed from the Board and its members? Please state recommendations for action.	(1) Note the content of the report. (2) Agree the submission to BCF 2017-19 as per the attached Planning Template.		
What requirement is there for internal or external communication around this area?	None		
Assurance and tracking process – Has the report been considered at any other committee	The planning template has been collaboratively populated		

<p>meeting of the Council/meeting of the CCG Board/other stakeholders....please provide details.</p>	<p>by relevant colleagues from within Bury Council and Bury NHS Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG).</p> <p>The final planning template has been signed off for progression by the Executive Director for Resources and Regulation / s.151 officer at Bury Council, the Director of Commissioning at Bury CCG, and the Deputy Chief Finance Officer at Bury CCG.</p> <p>The proposals were signed off by the Bury Transformation Programme Board on 30/8/17.</p>
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1. Introduction and background

1.1 The final Better Care Fund 2017-19 Policy Framework and Planning Guidance was published in July 2017 and can be found via <https://www.england.nhs.uk/ourwork/part-rel/transformation-fund/bcf-plan/>

1.2 The framework and guidance establishes the key conditions and requirements of the Better Care Fund in 2017/18 and 2018/19.

2. BCF 2017-19 Conditions and Requirements

2.1 BCF 2017-19 is subject to **4 national conditions**:

- Plans must be agreed at a locality level
- The NHS contribution to Adult Social Care must be maintained in line with inflation (17/18 – 1.79%; 18/19 – 1.9%)
- There must be a local agreement to invest in NHS commissioned out of hospital services
- There must be a local agreement to invest in managing transfers of care, including the full implementation of the *High Impact Change Model for Managing Transfer of Care* (<https://www.local.gov.uk/our-support/our-improvement-offer/care-and-health-improvement/systems-resilience/high-impact-change-model>).

2.2 Four conditions from the previous BCF policy framework have been removed, but there is an explicit expectation that they remain an area of local focus and activity:

- Requirement to implement 7 day services
- Better data sharing and the establishment of a local digital roadmap
- Joint approach to assessment, care planning and accountable professionals
- Agreed consequential impacts on providers

2.3 NHS England have set out **2 overarching requirements of CCG's**:

- BCF funding must be transferred into one or more pooled funds under s.75 of the NHS Act 2006.
- The Health and Wellbeing Board must jointly agree plans for BCF spend, with plans signed by both the relevant CCG and Local Authority.

2.4 During 2017/18, additional Local Authority Adult Social Care funding was awarded as a grant (but remains part of BCF) and was subject to the following conditions:

- The additional funding will only be used for the purposes of meeting Adult Social Care needs, reducing pressure on the NHS, supporting people to be discharged from hospital, or ensuring the local provider market is supported.
- The additional funding must be pooled into the local BCF.
- The Local Authority in receipt of the funding must work alongside the relevant CCG's to meet the national BCF requirement in relation to transfers of care.
- The Local Authority must provide a quarterly report to the Secretary of State.
- The Local Authority is required to confirm that BCF spending will be additional to prior plans for Social Care spending via a s.151 letter.

2.5 BCF 2017 to 2019 is subject to the following **4 performance metrics**:

- *Delayed Transfers of Care (Disaggregated by cause - NHS and Social Care)*
- *Non-elective admissions*
- *Admissions to Residential and Care Homes*
- *Effectiveness of Reablement*

3. BCF Graduation

3.1 BCF 2017-19 incorporates the potential for defined geographical areas to 'graduate' from the national programme leading to greater local autonomy and reduced regional or national involvement in local planning and decision-making.

3.2 All 10 Greater Manchester localities are subject to a single city region graduation expression of interest.

3.3 A national decision regarding GM graduation has not yet been forthcoming.

3.4 However, as a result of devolved arrangements, it has been agreed nationally that GM localities only need to submit the BCF planning template, and do not need to submit an associated narrative submission.

4. BCF 2017-19 Planning Template

4.1 As per 3.4, the national Planning Template is attached as **Appendix 1** and sets out the Bury Better Care Fund proposals for 2017-19.

4.2 The Planning Template is required to be submitted for national evaluation by **11th September 2017**.

Key issues for the Board to Consider

5. Links to the Bury Locality Plan

5.1 The Better Care Fund proposals should not be read in isolation, but should be seen as a constituent part of the Bury Locality Plan which sets out the entirety of the local approach to Health and Social Care transformation.

Recommendations for action

- That the Health and Wellbeing Board note the content of the report.
- That the Bury Health and Wellbeing Board approve the attached Better Care Fund 2017-19 Planning Template for submission to the national Better Care Fund team for assessment.

Financial and legal implications (if any)

If necessary please seek advice from the Council Monitoring Officer (J.M.Hammond@bury.gov.uk) or Section 151 Officer Steve Kenyon (S.Kenyon@bury.gov.uk).

- These proposals relate to the use of financial resources
- These proposals have been developed in partnership with the Bury Council s.151 Officer and the Bury CCG Director of Finance.

Equality/Diversity Implications. Please attach the completed Equality and Analysis Form if required.

- None
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Appendix 1 – BCF 2017-19 Planning Template



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