

Bury Health and Wellbeing Board

Title of the Report	Better Care Fund 2019-20
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Executive Summary

Is this report for?	Information <input type="checkbox"/>	Discussion <input type="checkbox"/>	Decision <input 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 2019-20.		
Please detail which, if any, of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy priorities the report relates to. (See attached Strategy) www.theburydirectory.co.uk/healthandwellbeingboard	The Better Care Fund primarily focuses upon: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Living Well with a Long Term Condition • Ageing Well • Prevention & Early Intervention 		
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 • Prevention & Early Intervention 		
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.	<p>(1) Note the content of the report.</p> <p>(2) Agree the submission to BCF 2019-20 as per the attached Planning Template1</p>		

What requirement is there for internal or external communication around this area?	None
<p>Assurance and tracking process – Has the report been considered at any other committee meeting of the Council/meeting of the CCG Board/other stakeholders....please provide details.</p>	<p>The planning template has been collaboratively populated 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>

1. Introduction and background

1.1 The final Better Care Fund 2019-20 Policy Framework and Planning Guidance was published in July 2019 and can be found via <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/better-care-fund-planning-requirements-for-2019-to-2020>

1.2 The framework and guidance establishes the key conditions and requirements of the Better Care Fund in 2019/20.

2. BCF 2019-20 Conditions and Requirements

2.1 BCF 2019-20 is subject to **4 national conditions**:

- Plans must be signed off by the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB), and by the constituent local authorities (LAs) and CCGs.
- Plans must demonstrate how the area will maintain the level of spending on social care services from the CCG minimum contribution in line with the uplift to the CCG's minimum contribution.
- A specific proportion of the area's allocation is invested in NHS commissioned out-of-hospital services, which may include seven day services and adult social care.
- There must be a clear plan on managing transfers of care, including implementation of the High Impact Change Model for Managing Transfers of Care (HICM). As part of this, all HWBs must adopt the centrally-set expectations for reducing or maintaining rates of delayed transfers of care (DToC) during 2019-20 into their BCF plans.

2.2 The Policy Framework also sets out **4 national metrics** for the fund, which are:

- Non-elective admissions (Specific acute)
- Admissions to residential and care homes
- Effectiveness of reablement
- Delayed transfers of care

2.3 All BCF plans must include ambitions for each of the four metrics and plans for achieving these are a condition of access to the fund. Expectations for reducing DToC will continue to be set centrally for each HWB area. The national ambition for reducing DToC is for the average daily number of people

who are ready to go home, but still awaiting discharge to be less than 4,000. Local expectations set in the BCF Operating Guidance for 2018-19 have been retained. Areas that have not already achieved their local expectation should plan to achieve this as early as possible in 2019-20.

2.3 The main change in the BCF Planning Requirements from 2017-19 is that separate narrative plans will be replaced with a single template that will include short narrative sections covering:

- Local approach to integration
- Plans to achieve metrics
- Plans for ongoing implementation of the High Impact Change Model for Managing Transfers of Care.

2.4 NHS England have set out **2 overarching requirements** for approval of BCF Plans:

- All funding agreed as part of the BCF plan must be transferred into one or more pooled funds established under Section 75 of the NHS Act 2006
- All plans are approved by NHS England in consultation with DHSC and MHCLG

2.5 BCF plans in 2017-19 were required to describe how partners would continue to build on progress against former BCF national conditions, areas should continue to make progress towards these goals:

- Develop delivery of seven-day services across health and social care
- Improve data sharing between health and social care
- Ensure a joint approach to assessments and care planning

3. BCF 2019-20 Planning Template

3.1 The national Planning Template sets out the Bury Better Care Fund proposals for 2019-20.

Key issues for the Board to Consider

4. Links to the Bury Locality Plan

4.1 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 2019-20 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

- 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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