

Health Select Commission Thursday 17 March 2016 BCF Update

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Background

- The Select Committee has previously received updates about progress with the Better Care fund (BCF).
- Rotherham has successfully established robust governance and submitted returns to NHS England in a timely manner.
- The BCF remains a key vehicle for integration between the NHS and Local Authorities.

Background

- The original BCF plan was developed around 2 years ago.
- NHS England recommend that partners review their plans to ensure that progress is maintained and that funds are effectively targeted in the right areas.
- An initial review has been carried out on our plan and the outcomes are as follows

- The original BCF plan had 72 lines of funding and 15 themes
- The revised plan has 33 lines of funding with 6 Broad themes.
- The 6 themes cover:
 - Mental Health
 - Rehab/ re-ablement and intermediate care
 - Social care purchasing
 - Case management and integrated care planning
 - Supporting carers
 - BCF infrastructure

- Each theme has then been rag rated in relation to the following: Strategic relevance, service specification in place, performance framework in place, are there any performance issues.
- There are then recommendations about each service within the theme.

Theme 1: Mental Health Services

1.1 Schedule of Services

Table 1 sets out the schedule of services which focus on mental health.Table 1:Schedule of Services – Mental Health Services

Service Area		BCF £000	RMBC Additional costs £000	RCCG Additional costs £000	Total Service Cost	Strategic Relevance	Service Specification	Performance Framework	Performance Issues	Recommendation
1	EMI Day Care	100			100					Merge
2	Increased Drug and Alcohol Community based rehabilitation services	59			59					Reallocate
3	Develop community based dementia care service	100			100					Reallocate
4	MH placements - fast response	160			160					Reallocate
5	Adult Mental Health Liaison Service	375		471	846					Review

Total BCF Spend £794,000

- The schedule of reviews have been programmed and will take place between now and October dependent on priority.
- These reviews cover 18 BCF schemes and where there are funding or performance issues or where there are concerns regarding strategic relevance.



Other BCF Developments

- A joint visioning event has taken place between the NHS and RMBC to further strengthen work around integration.
- Our latest submission confirmed that national targets are being met.
- We continue to perform well against a number of the metrics.
- The BCF has increased by £1.3m from £23.2m to £24.5m.
- Additional funding will be invested in community services.



Other BCF developments

- New integration measures were introduced for the Q3 submission.
- Further planning guidance has been received during February and March and officers are responding to it.
- A BCF service directory is almost finalised.