

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Information Briefing

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1. Introduction and context

1.1 The Better Care Fund is a critical vehicle for advancing the integration agenda for health and local authority social care partners, to transform delivery and address the growing financial challenges across the whole local health and social care economies. The agreed plan was resubmitted to NHS England in September 2014. Following the National Consistent Assurance Review and a further update in November, we received confirmation in December that the plan had been assured. Partners are committed to progressing our integrated commissioning and delivery plans.

2. Update on progress

2.1 Partners are continuing to work together on a number of areas:

- All six partners have signed up to a risk share agreement as reported to Cabinet and Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) Governing Bodies in October
- The peer review gateway in November provided more detail on the project progress. It allowed us to identify where leadership focus and prioritisation of capacity was needed.
- The framework for performance monitoring and evaluation of the progress of BCF efficiency work streams and the benefits realisation of wider system integration has been developed, agreed and will be used to judge progress amongst partners.
- The mobilisation of the out of hospital care model and the efficiency work streams continues in each CCG area. In North Hampshire we have introduced a telecare project to support people at risk of falls, aiming to deliver £500k savings. This will be an important enabler to transforming integrated care teams locally.

- Agreement has been reached with the eleven Districts and Boroughs on the approach with the Disabled Facilities Grant that will transfer from HCC to them
- Hampshire Adult Services is also working in partnership with Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust to scope the potential of a more integrated delivery model in each CCG area
- We are currently formulating the Section 75 agreement in draft that allows us to create a pooled budget as a repository for the fund, a national requirement.
- Work with the five CCGs continues to be positive and the recent publication of NHS Planning Guidance reinforces the need for NHS partners to align the BCF plan with operational and strategic plans.