

LEICESTER CITY HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

Theme of Meeting	Healthy Aging
Title:	2019-20 Better Care Fund Plan
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: The Better Care Fund (BCF) is a programme spanning both the NHS and local government which seeks to join-up health and care services, so that people can manage their own health and wellbeing, and live independently in their communities for as long as possible. The BCF represents a unique collaboration between NHS England, the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG), Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) and the Local Government Association. The four partners work closely together to help local areas plan and implement integrated health and social care services across England, in line with the vision outlined in the [Long Term Plan](#).

All Better Care Fund partnerships were required in 2019 to submit for government approval a revised version of the previous (2017-19) plan. The 2019-20 plan is attached in this instance for your information as the timelines this year meant that the plan had to be submitted, with the approval of the Chair of the HWB, outside of the scheduled cycle of HWB meetings. Attached is (a) the narrative paper outlining the key points of the planned investments and (b) the template giving details of the plan which was submitted and now awaits final government approval – expected in early December (Regional approval by a panel of Local Authority and NHS senior directors has already been given).

The plan details how the partnership between Leicester city CCG and Leicester City Council Adult Social Care plans to invest monies totalling £43,368,727 from four sources:

- The CCG BCF contribution
- The Improved Better Care Fund (iBCF) direct Grant to Local Authorities
- The Disabled Facilities Grant
- The NHS Winter Pressures Grant to Local Authorities

Contributing to the objectives of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy:

- Reducing social isolation and loneliness in older people
- Helping people to remain independent in their own homes
- Reducing the numbers of those over 65 admitted to permanent residential care
- Improving the health and care outcomes for residents of Leicester

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Health and Wellbeing Board is requested to: Note the submission of the BCF 2019-20 Plan to NHSE/I.