

Report to:	HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD
Date:	Thursday, 7 March 2019
Executive Members / Reporting Officer:	Deputy Executive Leader / Kathy Roe – Director Of Finance – Tameside & Glossop CCG and Tameside MBC
Subject:	TAMESIDE BETTER CARE FUND – 2018/19 QUARTER 3 MONITORING REPORT
Report Summary:	The report provides details of the 2018/19 Tameside Better Care Fund monitoring report for the period ending 31 December 2018.
Recommendations:	To consider the 2018/19 Better Care Fund monitoring report for the period ending 31 December 2018.
Policy Implications:	Service reconfiguration and transformation has the patient at the forefront of any service re-design. The overarching objective of Care Together is to improve outcomes for all of our citizens whilst creating a high quality, clinically safe and financially sustainable health and social care system. The comments and views of our public and patients are incorporated into all services provided.
Financial Implications: (Authorised by the statutory Section 151 Officer & Chief Finance Officer)	<p>This report provides details of the 2018/19 Better Care Fund monitoring report for the period ending 31 December 2018 for approval (Appendix 1).</p> <p>Health and Wellbeing members should note that the Better Care Fund (including Improved Better Care Fund) allocation of £24.4 million as per table 1 within the report is included within the Section 75 funding allocation of the Strategic Commission's Integrated Commissioning Fund (ICF). For reference, the ICF 2018/19 gross expenditure total is £927.8 million and is bound by the terms within the Section 75 and associated Financial Framework agreements.</p> <p>The Disabled Facilities Grant (DFG) allocation also shown within table 1 is a capital grant. This is not included within the ICF as the ICF includes revenue funding resources only. However, the DFG allocation is provided as the grant is required to be spent in accordance with the 2017-2019 Tameside Better Care Fund (BCF) spending plan which was approved by the Health and Wellbeing Board on 21 September 2017.</p> <p>Members should also note that the Economy wide financial monitoring report for the same period end has recently been presented to the Strategic Commissioning Board and Executive Cabinet on 13 February 2019 and is therefore not included within this report.</p>
Legal Implications: (Authorised by the Borough Solicitor)	This is a monitoring report which has no direct legal implications but which it is important for the Board to scrutinise as it helps to demonstrate that the public body with responsibility for the budget is fulfilling its public law fiduciary duty and guardianship of the public's health and wellbeing.
Risk Management:	Associated details are specified within the terms of the related Section 75 and Financial Framework agreements of the Integrated

Commissioning Fund.

Background Information: Background papers relating to this report can be inspected by contacting :

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1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 **Appendix 1** provides details of the 2018/19 Better Care Fund monitoring report for the period ending 31 December 2018.
- 1.2 Members should note that the Economy wide financial monitoring report for the same period end has recently been presented to the Strategic Commissioning Board and Executive Cabinet on 13 February 2019 and is therefore not included within this report.

2. BETTER CARE FUND ALLOCATION – 2018/19

- 2.1 Table 1 provides details of the various funding allocations that are included within the 2018/19 Better Care Fund (BCF). .

Table 1 – 2018/19 BCF Allocation

	2018/19 £'000
Better Care Fund - Original	15,597
Better Care Fund - Improved Phase 1 - (2015 Spending Review)	5,477
Better Care Fund - Improved Phase 2 - (2017 Spring Budget)	3,299
Total	24,373
Disabled Facilities Grant - Initial Allocation	2,327
Disabled Facilities Grant - Supplementary Allocation	259
Total	2,586

- 2.2 The Better Care Fund (including Improved Better Care Fund) allocation of £24.4 million is included within the Section 75 funding allocation of the Strategic Commission's Integrated Commissioning Fund (ICF). For reference, the ICF 2018/19 gross expenditure total is £927.8 million and is bound by the terms within the Section 75 and associated Financial Framework agreements.
- 2.3 The Disabled Facilities Grant (DFG) allocation also shown within table 1 is a capital grant. This is not included within the ICF as the ICF includes revenue funding resources only. However, the DFG allocation is provided as the grant is required to be spent in accordance with the 2017-2019 Tameside Better Care Fund (BCF) spending plan which was approved by the Health and Wellbeing Board on 21 September 2017.

3. BETTER CARE FUND

- 3.1 Health and Wellbeing Board members are reminded that the better care fund was introduced during 2015/16 and has continued each financial year thereafter. The funding is awarded to the economy to support the integration of health and social care to ensure resources are used more efficiently between Clinical Commissioning Groups and Local Authorities, in particular to support the reduction of avoidable hospital admissions and the facilitation of early discharge.
- 3.2 **Appendix 1** provides supporting details of the 2018/19 quarter three (1 April 2018 to 31 December 2018) Better Care Fund monitoring statement submitted to NHS England.
- 3.3 Section 6.44 of 'the Integration and Better Care Fund Operating Guidance for 2017 – 2019' (link provided below to the document), recommends that the quarterly monitoring returns are discussed and approved by Health and Wellbeing Board members.

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/better-care-fund-operating-guidance-v1.pdf>

4. RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 As stated on the report cover.