

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

15 June 2023

Commenced: 10.00am

Terminated: 10.35 am

Present:	Councillor Wills (Chair)	Executive Member (Population Health and Wellbeing)
	Councillor Fairfoull	Deputy Leader (Children and Families)
	Councillor Sweeton	Executive Member (Inclusive Growth, Business & Employment)
	Sandra Stewart	Chief Executive
	Stephanie Butterworth	Director of Adult Services
	Debbie Watson	Director of Population Health
	Anna Hynes	Action Together
	Shaun Higgins	Active Tameside
	Reg Patel	Active Tameside
	Peter Marland	Ashton Pioneer Homes
	Henri Giller	Tameside Children's Safeguarding Board
	Ian MacArthur	Greater Manchester Good Employment Charter
	Nicola Welland	Tameside College
	Sophie Bullock	Transport for Greater Manchester

Officers in attendance:	James Mallion	Assistant Director of Population Health
	Sarah Jamieson	Head of Economy, Employment and Skills
	Debbie Duddridge	Head of Safeguarding and Quality Assurance

Apologies for

Absence: Councillor Taylor and Ali Stathers-Tracey

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

2. MINUTES

RESOLVED

The Minutes of the meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Board held on 16 March 2023 were agreed as a correct record.

3. BUILDING BACK FAIRER, STRONGER, TOGETHER: REFRESH OF THE TAMESIDE LOCALITY PLAN AND JOINT HEALTH & WELLBEING STRATEGY

The Assistant Director of Population Health submitted a report that sought support for the development of a single Joint Health & Wellbeing Strategy and Locality Plan and to receive direction regarding ambition and content.

It was reported that the current Locality Plan was published in January 2020 and was due to be refreshed. The current Tameside Corporate Plan, which outlined the health and wellbeing priorities for the borough, also required a refresh. It was intended to combine the Tameside Locality Plan and Tameside Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy into one whole-system document and work programme. The ambitions of the 2020 Locality Plan and Tameside Corporate Plan remained but the refresh allowed the commitment to drive improvements in health and wellbeing for the population of Tameside to be re-established in response to the changing local, regional and national

context and requirements. The proposal was for the plan to be titled 'Building Back Fairer, Stronger, Together'.

The Assistant Director of Population Health explained that the Plan would reflect some of the ongoing priorities already articulated in the current Locality Plan for Tameside and the Corporate Plan. However, it would also ensure that priorities from the GM ICP Strategy were reflected, as well as the recent work of the Tameside Health & Wellbeing Board, which last year set out a Charter to ensure members were committed to the Board acting as a standing commission to tackle inequalities and focussed on the upstream wider determinants of health. The Health & Wellbeing Board had established three key priorities set out to drive improvements in the health of residents: poverty; work & skills; and healthy places. The Joint Health & Wellbeing Strategy should reflect the work plan of the Health & Wellbeing Board and would therefore align closely to these current priorities.

The vision for both the Locality Plan and Joint Health & Wellbeing Strategy would be set out a focus on the three key principles of Building Back Fairer; Building Back Stronger; and Building Back Together. The ambition around these principles would be articulated across the life course and consider some of the key existing work including: the Health & Wellbeing Board Charter; priorities of the Health & Wellbeing Board; the agreed outcomes metrics across system partners; mental health & wellbeing as a cross-cutting priority; and tackling inequalities. A draft of this approach was detailed within the report.

It was proposed that, following discussion with the Tameside Provider Partnership and Strategic Partnership Board, key officers would progress with developing a draft for consultation by the end of June 2023. While this version of The Plan would be shared with partners, including the GM Integrated Care Board, this would not be the final version, as there would then be a series of consultation and engagement sessions with residents throughout the summer to seek their input and views on The Plan. There would then be final changes made ahead of publication in the autumn of 2023. The Tameside Strategic Partnership Board and the Health & Wellbeing Board would have oversight of the joint document following publication of The Plan. Each of the Boards would produce relevant delivery plans, which would sit as part of the locality integrated care delivery in Tameside and in the form of the work plan of the Health & Wellbeing Board. This would ensure that work programmes were progressing to achieve the ambitions and outcomes set out in The Plan.

The Director of Population Health emphasised the Board's three priorities and acknowledged that they would take longer to embed than the original 12-month timescale.

The representative from Ashton Pioneer Homes informed the Board that they had recently undertaken a review on policies and procedures and implemented an action plan with a view to being more proactive and engaging with communities, with a focus on health. He suggested that it would be worth cross referencing the Plan with this piece of work.

RESOLVED

- (i) That the report be noted;**
- (ii) That the Board endorsed the intention for a single Joint Health & Wellbeing Strategy & Locality Plan;**
- (iii) That the Board endorsed the broad overview outlined within the report;**
- (iv) That the Board supported the intention to produce an initial draft for consultation by the end of June 2023 and then further develop the plan with residents and system partners; and**
- (v) That a final version of the plan be brought back to the next meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Board, scheduled for 14 September 2023.**

4. BETTER CARE FUND 2022/23 END OF YEAR RETURN

Consideration was given to a report of the Executive Member for Population Health and Wellbeing / Executive Member for Adult Social Care, Homelessness and Inclusivity / Director of Adult Services / Deputy Place Based Lead, Tameside Locality that provided details of the 2022/23 end of year expenditure and supporting metrics via the Better Care Fund (BCF) awarded to the Tameside locality. The fund also included the national discharge funding that was awarded to the locality during the financial year.

It was reported that the BCF was one of the government's national vehicles for driving health and social care integration. It required Integrated Care Boards (ICB) and local government to agree a joint plan that was overseen by the Health and Wellbeing Board. 2022/23 was a transitional period for the BCF that included engagement with ICBs following the publication of the Integration White paper.

The Board were informed that the core purpose of BCF was to support people to live healthy, independent and dignified lives, through joining up health, social care and housing services seamlessly around the person. The two core BCF objectives were outlined as followed:

- Enable people to stay well, safe and independent at home for longer
- Provide the right care in the right place at the right time

There were minimal changes made to the BCF in 2022/23. The 2022/23 BCF policy framework was designed to build on progress made during the COVID-19 pandemic by strengthening the integration of commissioning and delivery of services and delivering person-centred care, as well as continuing to support system recovery from the pandemic.

It was explained that the NHS contribution to the BCF included funding to support the implementation of the Care Act 2014. In addition, BCF reporting process included the Disabled Facilities Grant (DFG), Improved Better Care Fund (iBCF) and the national discharge funding that was awarded during the financial year.

The national conditions for the Better Care Fund in 2022/23 were outlined as follows:-

- A jointly agreed plan between local health and social care commissioner, signed off by the Health and Wellbeing Board.
- NHS contribution to adult social care at Health and Wellbeing Board level to be maintained in line the uplift to NHS minimum contribution.
- Invest in NHS commissioned out-of-hospital services.
- A plan for improving outcomes for people being discharged from hospital.
- Implementing the BCF policy objectives.

The 2022/23 end of year BCF report was appended to the report and provided details of the 2022/23 year end expenditure compared to the funding awarded to the Tameside locality. The locality fully expended the total allocation awarded of £37.551m.

RESOLVED

That the Health and Wellbeing Board approve the Tameside Locality Better Care Fund 2022/23 end of year return.

5. BETTER CARE FUND 2023-25 PLAN

Consideration was given to a report of the Executive Member for Population Health and Wellbeing / Executive Member for Adult Social Care, Homelessness and Inclusivity / Director of Adult Services / Deputy Place Based Lead, Tameside Locality that outlined the planning requirements for the Better Care Fund (BCF) 2023/25, which now incorporated the previously separate national discharge funding.

It was reported that the refreshed planning guidance for BCF 2023/25 followed the transitional period in 2022/23 whereby engagement with Integrated Care Boards took place following the publication of the Integration White paper. The BCF planning information in 2023/25 was to be collected in a way that provided more data on the activity that the BCF would fund, and the contribution of integrated working to improving outcomes for local people. This included:

- Expected outputs from scheme types related to discharge, intermediate care unpaid carers and housing.
- Estimates of BCF expenditure on different services and activities as a proportion of all health and care expenditure on these services in the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) area. The information collected would help to better identify and articulate the contribution of BCF funding to delivering capacity, but, as estimates, these figures would not be subject to assurance.

It was emphasised that the reporting requirements from 2023 had been enhanced with new data reporting requirements as well as a more detailed narrative plan that outlined the locality joint approach to the delivery and oversight of the objectives of the fund and, as such, aligned to Tameside's Locality Plan and integrated governance. For 2023/25, the data collected had been expanded to include capacity and demand data for intermediate care in the locality was capturing and reporting on short-term capacity. This included the wider care market, with the clear link being made to expenditure against the Market Sustainability and Improvement Fund (MSIF), which made provision for long-term social care capacity.

The BCF Narrative Plan for 2023/24 was appended to the report and provided details of the income and expenditure plan by individual scheme, together with details of the key metrics for the Tameside locality. The core BCF allocation awarded to the locality had increased by 5.66% in 2023/24 from £19.470m (2022/23) to £20.572m. The indicative allocation for 2024/25 had also increased by a further 5.66% to £21.736m.

In response to questions, it was confirmed that there had been an overall increase in demand with more people with complex needs and an increase in discharging patients into care since the pandemic. A discussion ensued on fall prevention.

RESOLVED

- (i) **That The Health and Wellbeing Board approve the Tameside Locality Better Care Fund Plan 2023 to 2025 that had to be submitted to the national Better Care Fund Team by 28 June 2023; and**
- (ii) **That the Health and Wellbeing Board delegate approval to the Director of Adult Services, in consultation with the Executive Member for Adult Social Care, Homelessness and Inclusivity, for any subsequent revisions to the narrative report or plan as required either in advance of or following submission to the national team by the 28 June 2023 deadline.**

6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED:

That the next meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Board scheduled for 14 September 2023 be noted.

7. URGENT ITEMS

There were no urgent items.

CHAIR