

Committee	HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD
Date	22 MARCH 2017
Title	BETTER CARE FUND QUARTERLY REPORT Q2 and Q3 2016/17

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the BCF Quarterly Report which was submitted on the 25th November 2016 be noted by the Health and Wellbeing Board.
2. That the BCF Quarterly Report which was submitted on the 3rd March 2017 be noted by the Health and Wellbeing Board.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

3. This report follows a previous report to the Health & Wellbeing Board in November 2016 and provides:
 - (a) A summary of the BCF Quarterly Reports for Q2 and Q3 2016-17, attached as Appendix 1;
 - (b) a copy of the BCF Quarterly Report for Q2 2016-17, which was submitted on the 25th November 2016, approved prior to submission by HWB Chair's Action, attached as Appendix 2.
 - (c) a copy of the BCF Quarterly Report for Q3 2016-17, which was submitted on the 3rd March 2017, approved prior to submission by HWB Chair's Action, attached as Appendix 2.

BACKGROUND

4. The Better Care Fund (BCF) is a single pooled budget for local health and social care services which has been created as a national requirement to drive greater integration of commissioning and provision.
5. The BCF plan and aligned budget should be seen as an enabler to the My Life A Full Life Programme (MLAFL) rather than a separate planning process; the CCG and the LA are commissioning the services in an integrated way.
6. The National requirements for the BCF do have to be met.
7. On the Island, the value of the BCF for 2016/17 was agreed by the HWB in March 2016 as £30,621,000, and amended in the final plans submitted to HWB in June 2016, to £31,332,000.
8. The Joint Commissioning Board (JCB) oversees the entire BCF, including the financial, performance and risk aspects. The work within the BCF is reported to and accountable to the Health and Wellbeing Board.
9. The IOW CCG and IOW Council have not signed the BCF Section 75 for 2016/17, however BCF Section 256 agreements are being developed.

Therefore, while a pooled budget is not in place, the CCG and Council have aligned budgets and are working in an integrated way.

10. A Better Care Advisor, Andrew Cozens, has been secured to work with the CCG and Council to develop the pooled fund for 2017-19.

BCF QUARTERLY REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

11. NHS England require that the CCG submit quarterly reports detailing financial activity and performance data relating to the Better Care Fund, providing assurance on the BCF National Conditions.
12. The Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to note the second and third BCF Quarterly Report, which were agreed by HWB Chairs action for submission on the 25th November 2016 and 3rd March 2017 respectively, attached as Appendix 2 and 3.

APPENDICIES

13. [APPENDIX 1](#) - A summary of the BCF Quarterly Reports for Q2 and Q3 2016/17
14. [APPENDIX 2](#) - Chairs action for submission on the 25th November 2016
15. [APPENDIX 3](#) - Chairs action for submission on the 3rd March 2017 respectively