

## HEALTH & WELLBEING BOARD

**Subject Heading:**

Better Care Fund 21/22

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**The subject matter of this report deals with the following themes of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy**

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>The wider determinants of health</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase employment of people with health problems or disabilities</li> <li>• Develop the Council and NHS Trusts as anchor institutions that consciously seek to maximise the health and wellbeing benefit to residents of everything they do.</li> <li>• Prevent homelessness and minimise the harm caused to those affected, particularly rough sleepers and consequent impacts on the health and social care system.</li> </ul>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Lifestyles and behaviours</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The prevention of obesity</li> <li>• Further reduce the prevalence of smoking across the borough and particularly in disadvantaged communities and by vulnerable groups</li> <li>• Strengthen early years providers, schools and colleges as health improving settings</li> </ul>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>The communities and places we live in</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Realising the benefits of regeneration for the health of local residents and the health and social care services available to them</li> <li>• Targeted multidisciplinary working with people who, because of their life experiences, currently make frequent contact with a range of statutory services that are unable to fully resolve their underlying problem.</li> </ul>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Local health and social care services</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development of integrated health, housing and social care services at locality level.</li> </ul>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>BHR Integrated Care Partnership Board Transformation Board</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Older people and frailty and end of life      Cancer</li> <li>• Long term conditions      Primary Care</li> <li>• Children and young people      Accident and Emergency Delivery Board</li> <li>• Mental health      Transforming Care Programme Board</li> <li>• Planned Care</li> </ul>

**SUMMARY**

The Better Care Fund (BCF) is a means of encouraging integration of health and care services. The funding is dependent on developing joint plans with health and social care that meet specified national conditions, report against defined performance indicators and detail how expenditure is distributed to support the local system. Ongoing reporting arrangements monitor plan delivery.

Approval of plans through the Health and Well Being board is a prerequisite of the plans going on to national scrutiny and endorsement.

The planning guidance to follow for the BCF from the NHS for 21/22 was delayed and the plans as presented are representative of actions already underway for this financial year.

This year there is a requirement for a narrative plan, something not required when the pandemic was at its height. Locally the BCF narrative plan was developed as a tri borough plan, with an associated S75 agreement in 2017. This narrative continues as a tri borough plan and endorsement of the same narrative is being sought in both Redbridge and Barking and Dagenham.

The finance and performance template plan is authority specific and each borough will present their own plans for expenditure, allied to their own particular allocations.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

For HWB to endorse and agree the narrative and associated expenditure and performance template

**REPORT DETAIL**

See attached documents

**IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS**

Without HWB endorsement the plan will not proceed to national sign off and funding would be threatened.

**BACKGROUND PAPERS**

None



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