

Westminster Health

& Wellbeing Board



THE ROYAL BOROUGH OF KENSINGTON AND CHELSEA

# RBKC Health & Wellbeing Board

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#### 1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 The aim of this report is to update the Health and Wellbeing Boards (HWBB) on the 2023/25 Better Care Fund (BCF) plan as per the NHS National Conditions. The report will include an update on the changes to national conditions and identification of risks.
- 1.2 The Plan is for two years, however there will be an option to review the plan after the first year. A two-year plan is welcome as it will support longer term delivery. The plan is currently being developed and agreed with health partners.
- 1.3 Due to the planning submission to be made by the 28<sup>th</sup> June, this report seeks the HWB to agree for the HWB chair and co-chair to agree the submission, once NHS London Region as part of their moderation, has made comments. A final copy of the plan will be circulated to HWB members once submitted.

#### 2. Key Matters for the Board

2.1 The BCF remains a key tool for promoting integration across local government (including housing) and health partners to meet local and national priorities. A recent national review has shown that local areas have consistently agreed that delivery of the BCF has improved

joint working between health and social care and improving outcomes for people, especially when being discharged from hospitals. This has also been reflected across both boroughs with the BCF being an enabler for integration and to ensure the protection of adult social care.

- 2.2 The broad BCF objectives remains the same as the previous year and cover:
  - enable those who need it to get the right care in the right place at the right time.
  - enable people to stay well, safe, and independent at home for longer.
- 2.3 Supporting the plan are a number of metrics and these remain unchanged. A new metric to monitor the number of people age 65+ admitted to hospital due to falls will be introduced later in the year, and additional documentation to ensure compliance. The new ASC *Discharge Funding is also included within* the BCF Programme to increase capacity in post-discharge care and support, improved discharge performance, patient safety, experience, and outcomes and follows on from funding received in 22/23. Reporting on this will be fortnightly.

#### **Performance Metrics**

- 2.4 There are four NHSE performance metrics used to monitor the impact of the BCF plan and below is the metrics for 2022/23. A new Fall Prevention metrics is introduced for 2023-24. The metrics is to monitor emergency hospital admissions due to falls in people aged 65 and over per 100,000 population. There is also likely to be an additional national metric, but at this stage this has not been confirmed.
- 2.5 The metrics for 2023-24 is work in progress and yet to be agreed.

#### TABLE 1: Kensington and Chelsea Metrics

RBKC Metrics	22 / 23 Actual	23/24 Target
Avoidable admission	173	tbc
Discharge to normal place of residence	93.80%	tbc
Residential admission per 100,000 population	354	tbc
Reablement	92.40%	tbc

# **TABLE 2: Westminster Metrics**

Westminster Metrics	22/234 Actual	23/24 Target
Avoidable admission	214	TBC
Discharge to normal place of residence	93.60%	ТВС
Residential admission per 100,000 population	336	ТВС
Reablement	95.20%	TBC

# 3.0 Finance

3.1 The following is a summary of the 2023/24 BCF allocations, excluding any planned changes to uplift. There has been no change on IBCF and DFG.

### Table 3: RBKC Funding Summary

	2023/24 Allocation £
Minimum NHS Contribution	£14,864,984
Improved Better Care Funding (iBCF)	£7,661,937
Disabled Facility Grant - DFG	£959,824
ASC Discharge Funding: • LA allocation • ICB allocation	£1,074,192 £TBC
Total BCF Grant	£24,560,937

# Table 4: WCC Funding Summary

	2023/24 Allocation (£)
Minimum NHS Contribution	£23,308,180
Improved Better Care Funding (iBCF)	£17,649,014
Disabled Facility Grant - DFG	£1,729,201
ASC Discharge Funding: <ul> <li>LA allocation</li> <li>ICB allocation</li> </ul>	£2,474,364 TBC
Total BCF Grant	£46,480,002

#### 4. Risk

The main areas to note include:

- 4.1 The Programme needs to demonstrate how, it will work across the Place Based Partnership, as an enabler for integration and aligns programmes to local priorities. A local "narrative" will be produced demonstrating how the BCF supports integration and is aligned to the Place Based Partnership priorities.
- 4.2 ASC Discharge Funding The NHS and NWL ICB provide funding for the BCF and although spend and activity for the local authority allocation has been confirmed, funding proportion and release and schemes are yet to be agreed with NWL ICB. The BCF submission will be developing the plan based on 22/23 schemes and where changes are required in year then these will be agreed locally and reported through the BCF Programme Board.
- 4.3 *Demand and Capacity* Although this is a national condition, the demand and capacity plan is not monitored and therefore is based on estimates to support acute discharges.

#### 5. Legal Implications

5.1 Health and Wellbeing Boards are required to agree the Better Care Fund when it is finalised.

#### 6. Financial Implications

6.1 At this point, there are no financial risks arising as a result of this report.

# If you have any queries about this Report or wish to inspect any of the background papers, please contact:

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