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1. Executive Summary

The aim of this paper is to provide an update to the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWBB) on the development of the Kensington and Westminster Better Care Fund, including the financial assumptions for 21/22 financial year and planning conditions as outlined by NHSE. This will include, outlining proposed priorities for the programme to inform delivery and a performance management framework to demonstrate how the programme will report back to the HWBB on a quarterly basis.

2. Key Matters for the Board

The Board is asked to:

- Note the Better Care Fund financial assumptions that will inform the programme for 21/22
- Note the work being undertaken to date to develop an agreed set of priorities and performance framework to inform and ensure greater assurance on performance of the BCF programme

3. Background

The 20/21BCF plan, due to the Covid pandemic, was agreed for the Joint Health and wellbeing Board on 30th September 2020. The 21/22 BCF funding has yet to be

confirmed through the NHS Planning Guidance, though NHSE have confirmed the programme will be funded, based on 20/21 financial commitments and an uplift of circa 4.9% (Westminster) and 5.2% (Kensington). It is likely that some of the national conditions will change but the requirement for local HWBBs to agree their 21/22 programme will remain.

This report will therefore outline the financial envelope of the planned programme, draft programme priorities to inform the individual schemes and the performance framework to provide assurance to the HWBB.

4. 21/22 Financial

In early December NHS outlined their minimum contributions to the Better Care Fund, which will grow by an average of circa 5.1%, consistent with the cash growth in the NHS mandate funding overall. The following table summarises the draft budgets for 21/22 but will need to be adjusted once 2021/22 increase has been agreed with NHS England.

Table 1:

BCF Pooled Funding	Westminster		Kensington and Chelsea	
	20/21 BCF Allocation £'000	Draft 21/22 £'000	20/21 BCF Allocation £'000	Draft 21/22 £'000
CCG Minimum Contribution	21,031	21,031	13,575	13,575
Improved Better Care Funding	17,130	17,130	7,437	7,437
Disability Facility Grant	1,729	1,729	960	960
Total allocation	39,890	39,890	21,972	21,972

21/22 draft budget is still awaiting confirmation from NHS England.

5. National Performance Metrics

As part of draft NHS national conditions, there will remain a requirement for the local HWBB to agree the 21/22 BCF plan and to receive quarterly returns on progress including the overall performance of the programme against four draft national indicators.

The national performance metrics has been left the same as the previous year as we are awaiting confirmation from NHS England. The baseline of the metrics are as per below.

National Metrics	Westminster		Kensington	
	20/21	21/22	20/21	21/22
Non- Elective admission (NEA) Total number of specific acute non-elective spells per 100,000 population	16,291	16,291	11,678	11,678
DTOC Delayed Transfers of Care (DToC) per day (daily delays) from hospital (aged 18+)	10.7	NA	10	NA

Residential Admission Long-term support needs of older people (age 65 and over) met by admission to residential and nursing care homes, per 100,000 population	314	314	252	252
Reablement Proportion of older people (65 and over) who were still at home 91 days after discharge from hospital into reablement / rehabilitation services	90.1%	90.1%	89.9 %	89.9%

Targets to be agreed with partners

To further strengthen the HWBB in its assurance role, health and local authority officers are continuing to develop a shared set of key performance indicators (KPIs) to support progress against agreed priorities and to demonstrate the wider impact of delivery across system partners.

To inform the development of the programme the following set of draft priorities and outcomes are being proposed.

DRAFT PRIORITIES 21/22

1. We put local people at the centre of our thinking.

This will mean local people are fully involved in the service design and delivery, using a “strength based” approach to health and care.

2. Our plans are adaptable as we learn about the impacts of COVID-19

This means plans being developed will consider the latest data and local intelligence to inform delivery so to reduce inequalities in our communities

3. We highly value preventative and reablement services

This will mean people have improved outcomes and independence and are empowered to meet their own health and care needs.

4. We keep our local care marketplace resilient

This will ensure the acute and primary healthcare sectors are adequately supported by the care marketplace

5. We support and value our local carers, including young carers

The mental health and well-being need of local carers are met by recognising the impact of caring on people’s health and long-term care needs and that young carers are fully supported into adulthood.

Further local performance indicators will be developed to demonstrate how individual schemes contribute to the agreed local priorities and national conditions. These will be reported in quarter 1 as part of the national reporting requirement.

5. Recommendations

This report recommends the HWB notes:

- The financial position of the indicative BCF programme
- the activities being taken to provide greater transparency in how the BCF programme is aiming to deliver against its national indicators but also to contribute to local priorities

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