



Surrey Health and Wellbeing Board

Date of meeting	8 January 2015
Item / paper title:	The Surrey Better Care Fund
Purpose of item / paper	<p>The purpose of this item is to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - present the updated Surrey Better Care Fund 2015/16 plan for approval ahead of the national deadline for resubmission (9 January 2015); - present the Whole Systems Partnership Funding plan/allocation for 2014/15 for approval (to enable the drawdown of funds from NHS England); and - to provide an update on the key Better Care Fund metrics. <p>Background</p> <p>The Better Care Fund is a national programme (announced in the Government's June 2013 Spending Round) which creates local pooled budgets to support and enable closer working between the NHS and local government. It is designed to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve outcomes for people. • Drive closer integration between health and social care. • Increase investment in preventative services in primary care, community health and social care. • Support the strategic shift from acute to community and to protect social care services.
Surrey Health and Wellbeing priority(ies) supported by this item / paper	<p>The Surrey Better Care Fund programme for 2015/16 will support delivery of Surrey's Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy. The focus of the Better Care Fund is providing improved care for older people in community settings. It will therefore have most impact upon delivery of the following Health and Wellbeing Strategy priorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improving older adults' health and wellbeing • Developing a preventative approach • Promoting emotional wellbeing and mental health
Financial implications - confirmation that any financial implications have been included within the paper	<p>The Better Care Fund is made up of a number of existing elements of funding and covers two financial years:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For 2014/15, the Whole Systems Funding for Surrey = £18.3m. • For 2015/16, the Better Care Funding total for Surrey is a revenue allocation of £65.5m + capital of £6.0m = £71.5m.

	<p>It is important to emphasise that this is a confirmation of existing funding continuing and being rebadged, not a new funding stream. It will mean Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) will have to shift existing funding from the acute hospitals in Surrey in order to increase investment in preventative services in primary care, community health and social care. This will require major service change – possibly across Surrey’s providers.</p>
<p>Consultation / public involvement – activity taken or planned</p>	<p>Health and social care providers have been engaged in developing an integrated vision for out of hospital care in each local area for example through the Local Transformation Boards (or the local equivalent). Patients, people who use services and the public have been involved through a number of partnership boards and via local engagement events.</p> <p>In response to feedback on Surrey’s Better Care Fund return in April, Local Joint Commissioning Groups have enhanced their engagement with local providers, particularly those in the acute sector, to develop their local Better Care Fund plans and to ensure the impact of these plans across the system is understood.</p>
<p>Equality and diversity - confirmation that any equality and diversity implications have been included within the paper</p>	<p>Detailed local schemes for the Better Care Fund will continue to be planned through the latter part of 2014/15, for implementation in 2015/16. An Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) will be completed as part of this process to assess the impact upon residents, people who use services, carers and staff with protected characteristics.</p> <p>Equality Impact Assessments have already been undertaken for a number of existing joint schemes. These include for example, telecare, reablement, extended hours in the hospitals.</p>
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<p>Actions requested / Recommendations</p>	<p>The Surrey Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - approve the updated Surrey Better Care Fund 2015/16 plan; - approve the draw down and distribution of the Whole Systems Partnership Funding for 2014/15; and - to receive an update on the key Better Care Fund metrics.

Attachments:

- The Surrey Better Care Fund Plan (part 1)
- The Surrey Better Care Fund Plan (part 2)
- The Surrey Better Care Fund quarter two metrics report
- The Whole Systems Partnership Funding 2014/15 report