


Individual Mayoral Decision Proforma Decision Log No: <u>126</u>	 TOWER HAMLETS
Report of: Luke Addams, Acting Director of Adult Services	Classification: Unrestricted
The Better Care Fund in Tower Hamlets: Review of Progress to Date and Proposed Programme for 2016-17	

Is this a Key Decision?	No
Decision Notice Publication Date:	16 February 2016
General Exception or Urgency Notice published?	Not required
Restrictions:	None
Reason for seeking an Individual Mayoral Decision:	<p>There is a need to provide continuity of funding from 1 April 2016 for ongoing schemes.</p> <p>It was also necessary for the Health and Wellbeing Board, which oversees the BCF programme, to consider and agree its contents. The HWBB meets only quarterly, and met on 15 March 2016. It was not practicable for the BCF programme to be signed off on behalf of the council by the Cabinet until 5 April. Therefore, the Mayor agreed to consider the BCF programme by IMD.</p>

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Following officer-level scrutiny and consultation with the Integrated Care Board and the Health and Well-Being Board, the Mayor is asked to agree the proposed BCF programme for 2016-17, as summarised in paragraph 3.11 of the attached report, and to agree to delegate to the Director of Adult Services any final amendments required in the light of feedback on the borough's proposals by NHS England. The Mayor is specifically recommended to agree that the council should enter into the required section 75 agreement with the Tower Hamlets Clinical Commissioning Group.

As there is a need to provide continuity of funding for ongoing schemes pending the final agreement of the BCF programme by NHS England, the Mayor is also asked to agree that, council-led schemes should be guaranteed funding until the end of June 2016, unless determined otherwise by the Director of Adult Services in consultation with the Mayor, as the Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board.

DECISION

Recommendations:

The Mayor is recommended to:

1. note progress with the Better Care Fund (BCF) programme in 2015-16, as set out in the report to the Integrated Care Board attached as Appendix 1.
2. note that the final form of the BCF programme is subject to ratification by NHS England, and that this is not expected to occur until mid-May 2016.
3. note that much of the proposed programme for 2016-17 is a continuation of the 2015-16 programme.
4. agree the proposed BCF programme for 2016-17, as summarised in paragraph 3.11 and approve the proposed agreement under section 75 of the NHS Act 2006 (Appendix 2), subject to any final amendments required following the NHS assurance process.
5. agree that, pending the agreement of the BCF programme and plan by NHS England, council-led schemes should be guaranteed funding until the end of June 2016, unless determined otherwise by the Director of Adult Services in consultation with the Mayor, as the Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board.
6. agree that any final amendments to the s75 agreement should be delegated to the acting Corporate Director of Adult Services, following consultation with the Mayor and Corporate Director of Law, Probity and Governance, to execute any necessary documents to give effect to this decision.
7. note that day-to-day governance of the BCF programme in 2016-17 will be delegated to the CCG's Complex Adults Programme Board, on which the council will be represented.
8. note that a comprehensive review of the BCF programme will take place in 2016-17, as part of wider reviews of joint working between the council and the CCG.

APPROVALS


1. (If applicable) Corporate Director proposing the decision or his/her deputy

I approve the attached report and proposed decision above for submission to the Mayor.

Signed  Date 16/3/16

2. Chief Finance Officer or his/her deputy

I have been consulted on the content of the attached report which includes my comments.

Signed  Date 17/3/16^{zc}

3. Monitoring Officer or his/her deputy

I have been consulted on the content of the attached report which includes my comments.

(For Key Decision only – delete as applicable)

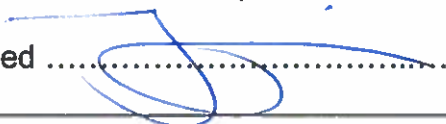
I confirm that this decision:-

- (a) has been published in advance on the Council's Forward Plan OR
- (b) is urgent and subject to the 'General Exception' or 'Special Urgency' provision at paragraph 18 or 19 respectively of the Access to Information Procedure Rules.

Signed  Date 18/03/16

4. Mayor

I agree the decision proposed in paragraph above for the reasons set out in the attached report.

Signed  Date 18/3/16

