

## LINCOLNSHIRE HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

Open Report on behalf of Glen Garrod  
Executive Director Adult Care and Community wellbeing

Report to	<b>Lincolnshire Health and Wellbeing Board</b>
Date:	<b>24 March 2020</b>
Subject:	<b>The Lincolnshire Better Care Fund (BCF)</b>

### Summary:

This paper provides the Lincolnshire Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) with an update on the Lincolnshire Better Care Fund performance for Q3 and notes the confirmation of DFG allocations for 2020/21.

### Actions Required:

The Lincolnshire Health and wellbeing Board are asked to note the content of the report.

## 1. Background

The Lincolnshire BCF plan was endorsed by the HWB 24 September 2020 and submitted to NHS England for approval 27 September 2020. The plan submitted was a total of £254m, which included iBCF and winter pressures grant funding.

The key performance elements of the BCF plan relate to:

- Non-elective admissions. This is the total number of specific acute non-elective spells per 100,000 population.
- Delayed transfers of care. This is the total daily delays from hospital for people aged 18 and over.
- Residential admissions. Long term support needs of older people (age 65 and over) met by admission to residential and nursing care homes, per 100,000 population.

- Reablement. Proportion of older people (age 65 and over) who were still at home 91 days after discharge from hospital into reablement / rehabilitation services.

Appendix A contains the Lincolnshire Better Care Fund performance report for Q3

The target for permanent admissions to care homes has been achieved with an actual total of 601 admissions in the quarter and a year-end forecast of 801 against the target of 863 admissions. Delayed transfers of care has achieved the measure with 4,974 delayed days, this is less than the target of a maximum of 5,399. Unfortunately non-elective admissions continue to underperform with 23,323 admissions, a figure which is over the target of 18,774.

Appendix B contains the letter from the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, confirming the DFG (Disabled Facilities Grant) allocations for 2020/21. £505m has been made available to all systems, with £6,148,560 allocated to the Lincolnshire District Councils. Although paid to Lincolnshire County Council, the resource must be transferred to the District Councils in full, so they can fulfil the statutory duty regarding housing adaptations. There is an exception to this and subject to agreement between the District and LCC; the fund may be used for wider social care capital projects. This should be agreed by the HWB and included within the BCF.

Although the 2020/21 BCF planning guidance has not been published, Lincolnshire County Council and CCG Finance Officers have started a programme to review BCF schemes in preparation for submitting the plan in 2020/21. There remains an opportunity for Lincolnshire to agree alternative DFG schemes as part of planning for 2020/21 BCF plan submission.

## **2. Conclusion**

The Lincolnshire Health and Wellbeing Board are asked to note the information provided within this report.

## **3. Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and Joint Health & Wellbeing Strategy**

The Council and Clinical Commissioning Groups must have regard to the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

## **4. Consultation**

None required

## 5. Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report	
Appendix A	Lincolnshire BCF Q3 Performance Report
Appendix B	DFG allocations letter

## 6. Background Papers

No background papers within Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972 were use in the preparation of this report.

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