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**VIA EMAIL** 

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Dear Wendy

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## **LINCOLNSHIRE BETTER CARE FUND 2018/19 UP**

I am writing on behalf of both the Joint Executive Team, for Lincolnshire and the Lincolnshire Health and Wellbeing Board, to confirm the changes that will be made to the Lincolnshire Better Care Fund 2017-19 ahead of the 24th August refresh deadline with regards to the following elements:

- 1. 2018-19 target for the reablement metric;
- 2. 2018-19 target for the residential admissions metric; and
- 3. 2018-19 expenditure plans.

In relation to points 1 and 2 I can confirm that there will be no changes made to the 2017-19 plans, however in relation to the point 3, I can confirm that there will be a number of minor changes to our BCF expenditure plans. These are as a result of the following:

- The consolidation of a number of similar schemes into a single total
- A change to a scheme funded via Protection of Adult Care BCF funding which will now be used for an alternative purpose but which still meets the scheme requirements as set out in the original allocation.
- Changes as a result of updated inflation parameters
- Changes to some "aligned" schemes as a result of changes in the amount invested. This includes the removal of values as a result of double counting.

The changes described above will result in the overall value of Lincolnshire's BCF planning total to reduce from £235.415m as set out in the original Care Fund Template to £232.123m.

The nationally directed changes to Non-Elective Admissions and Delayed Transfers of Care metrics have been noted and included within the local performance monitoring for 2018-19. For assurance purposes, this confirmation will be reported retrospectively through our local governance structures as follows:

- 1. Joint Executive Team on Tuesday 11th September 2018; and
- 2. Lincolnshire Health and Wellbeing Board on Tuesday 26th September 2018.

I do not anticipate any further changes to the expenditure plan in 2018/19, however should that not be the case I will ensure that you are made aware of any such changes.

Yours sincerely

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