

# References from Other Council Bodies

## Health and Wellbeing Board

**Cabinet**

**Date: 12<sup>th</sup> July 2017**

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Wards:	All
Parishes Affected:	All

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### **1. Purpose and Reasons**

- 1.1 To consider references from the meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Board held on 24<sup>th</sup> May 2017.
- 1.2 The references support the Council's Vision Priority Four: "Help people to help themselves while always protecting our most vulnerable children and adults".

### **2. Recommendations**

- 2.1 To agree the recommendations of the Health and Wellbeing Board at its meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> May, 2017, as set out in paragraphs 3.3 and 3.9 in the body of this report.

### **3. Detail**

#### Carers Memorandum of Understanding

- 3.1 At its meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> May 2017, the Health and Wellbeing Board considered a report of the Chief Executive, Swindon Carers Centre, on the development by NHS England and its partners of a toolkit to help health and social care organisations work together in identifying, assessing and supporting the wellbeing of carers and their families.
- 3.2 It was noted that the toolkit covered new duties on NHS organisations brought about by the Care Act 2014 and the Children and Families Act 2014, and included numerous examples of positive practice that are already making a difference to Carers and their families. The toolkit also included a template Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU) that local partners can use to help us work together in supporting Carers of all ages and their families.
- 3.3 The Board resolved:
  - 3.3.1 That Cabinet be recommended that the intentions of the Carers Memorandum of Understanding be supported, and that the Cabinet and the Governing Body of the Swindon Clinical Commissioning Group be recommended to sign up to the principles in it.**
- 3.4 The principles that are part of the Memorandum of Understanding, which are contained in Appendix 1 to this report, are:

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- 3.4.1 Principle 1 – We will support the identification, recognition and registration of Carers in primary care.
- 3.4.2 Principle 2 - Carers will have their support needs assessed and will receive an integrated package of support in order to maintain and/or improve their physical and mental health.
- 3.4.3 Principle 3 - Carers will be empowered to make choices about their caring role and access appropriate services and support for them and the person they look after.
- 3.4.4 Principle 4 – The staff of partners to this agreement will be aware of the needs of Carers and of their value to our communities.
- 3.4.5 Principle 5 - Carers will be supported by information sharing between health, social care, Carer support organisations and other partners to this agreement.
- 3.4.6 Principle 6 - Carers will be respected and listened to as expert care partners, and will be actively involved in care planning, shared decisionmaking and reviewing services.
- 3.4.7 Principle 7 - The support needs of Carers who are more vulnerable or at key transition points will be identified early.

#### Better Care Fund 2017-2019

- 3.5 Also at its meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> May 2017, the Health and Wellbeing Board considered an update on the Better Care Fund planning process and resource allocation.
- 3.6 The Board noted that additional funding announced by the Chancellor for adult social care represented, for Swindon, £2.914m in 2017/18, £2.2m in 2018/19, and £1.2m for 2019/20 and that this would be pooled into the local BCF for the purposes of meeting adult social care needs, reducing pressures on the NHS, and ensuring that the local social care provider market is supported. The Board also noted that the Council had already proposed to invest £2.914m in 2017/18 into Older People services, and that the change programme for adult services at the Council was currently in its design phase.
- 3.7 Members are advised that the majority of the funding is allocated to increasing capacity in older people care packages of £2m leaving a contingency of £900k which is planned to be allocated in the following way (Table 1 below).

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Table 1: Proposed allocation of £900k contingency

Item	£
Additional therapy staff to prevent admission to hospital	135
Additional social work and change staff for implementation of change programme	320
Reablement therapy staff	130
Winter contingency	100
To be allocated	215
Total	900

3.8 The Board was advised that the funding was required to be signed off by the Director of Finance (Section 151) Officer at the Council.

3.9 The Board resolved that Cabinet be recommended that:

- 1) **The proposed spend on the additional funding of £2.914m as outlined in the Spring Budget 2017 be agreed.**
- 2) **The Director of Adult Services be authorised to produce the Better Care Fund Plan, in conjunction with the Accountable Officer of the Clinical Commissioning Group, in line with statutory guidance published by NHS England with the level of adult social care spending protected in line with spend in 2016/17 plus inflation of 1.79%.**
- 3) **The Director of Adult Services, the Director of Finance, and the Director of Law and Democratic Services be authorised to update the National Health Services 2004 Section 75 Agreement with the Better Care Fund agreed funding.**

3.10 The original reports considered by the Health and Wellbeing Board are available on the Council's website, via the following link, or on request from Committee and Members Services (the clerk's contact details are set out below).

<http://ww5.swindon.gov.uk/moderngov/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=933&MId=7487&Ver=4>

#### 4. Alternative Options

4.1 It is a matter for Cabinet as to whether the recommendations of the Health and Wellbeing Board are supported and/or agreed or not.

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#### **5. Implications, Diversity Impact Assessment and Risk Management**

##### Financial and Procurement Implications

- 5.1 This report has no financial or procurement implications. The report to the Health and Wellbeing Board advises that any recommendations made in that report could be resourced within current budget allocations and that, where additional resources might be required, an appropriate business case would be prepared.

##### Legal and Human Rights Implications

- 5.2 Legal and Human Rights considerations have been taken fully into account in compiling this report. It is considered that the recommendations of this report are compatible with convention rights.

##### All Other Implications (including Staff, Sustainability, Health, Rural, Crime and Disorder)

- 5.3 This report has no other specific implications.

##### Diversity Impact Assessment

- 5.4 A Diversity Impact Assessment (DIA) is not required in respect of this report. The report to the Health and Wellbeing Board advises that all key diversity groups have been considered whilst undertaking the review and that the report specifically highlights issues regarding gender, age, disability (particularly long term conditions), sexual orientation which have specific implication for suicide prevention.

##### Risk Management

- 5.5 There are no identified unmitigated risks.

#### **6. Consultees**

- 6.1 The Director of Finance (Section 151 Officer) and Director of Law and Democratic Services (Monitoring Officer) are consulted in respect of all reports.

#### **7. Background Papers**

- 7.1 None.

#### **8. Appendices**

- 8.1 Appendix 1 NHS England Carers Toolkit (*The appendix is available online at the Council's website or on request from Committee and Member Services*)

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**9. Key Decision/Decision in Cabinet Work Programme/Forward Plan**

- 9.1 This is not a Key Decision and is included on the Cabinet Work Programme/Forward Plan for May 2017.