

Title	Update on the Better Care Fund Submission
Date	October 2014
Update to be provided at the meeting:	Lesley Perkin Programme Director, Integrated Care

Purpose of this report:

To update the Health and Wellbeing Board on the progress following submission of the Better Care Fund Plan in September.

Summary of main issues:

All HWBs and corresponding councils and CCGs have now received a letter confirming the outcome of their Better Care Fund (BCF) plan. Ninety-seven per cent of areas are approved (about 30 per cent with some conditionality) and only five are not approved. The process and level of resubmission required for final approval is still being finalised by the national team.

The Buckinghamshire Plan has been ‘approved with support’ by the national process. The features of this level of approval are:

- Risks were identified but are deemed non material (related mainly to template 2 analytics)
- Expected to take corrective action and resubmit the relevant elements of the plan by 28th November
- Likely to be ‘approved’ before Christmas
- Expected to move to focus on implementation

Next steps on our journey in Buckinghamshire:

- Developing the model further
 - Proposed future state will be described by January
 - Finalise s75 arrangements
 - Management
 - Governance
- Develop commercial strategy i.e. how to get the new service implemented

Recommendation for the Health and Wellbeing Board:

- The Board will receive an update at the meeting.

Background documents:

N/A