

Topic:	The Better Care Fund
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1. Introduction

1.1 The Better Care Fund (BCF) was set up by Government in 2013. It aligns a proportion of health and social care budgets to incentivise the NHS and local government to work more closely together while shifting resources into community health and social care services for the benefit of the people, communities, and the health and care system.

1.2 Each local authority area is required to submit a BCF plan for approval by NHS England describing how the BCF will support integration of services and with agreement about how the BCF will be allocated. The requirement includes that the plans are signed off by the Health and Well-being Board (HWB).

2. Recommendation

That the Health and Well-being Board:

2.1 Agree the vision and schemes of the Better Care Fund – as set out in the attached plan.

2.2 Note that SCC and the CCGs have not yet agreed the funding and that this is with the national escalation process.

2.3 Note that SCC and the District Councils are developing proposals for use of the Disabled Facilities Grant.