Health and Wellbeing Board North Yorkshire



NORTH YORKSHIRE HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD INTEGRATION OF HEALTH SOCIAL CARE

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1. Purpose

1.1 The report updates the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) on progress with the development of the integration framework, the submission of an application for pioneer area status and other relevant announcements since the Board's last meeting on 29 May 2013.

2. Progress

- 2.1 Since the last report to the Board work has continued in drafting the integration framework. This is now at a stage where it can be considered by all partner organisations over the summer, prior to adoption by the two HWBs in North Yorkshire and York in September/October.
- 2.2 An application for pioneer area status was submitted to the Department of Health on 28 June 2013. Applications are now being evaluated and decisions are expected by the end of September. It is understood that there has been a significant amount of interest nationally in the programme, and also that there may be more than one wave of pioneer areas. A copy of the North Yorkshire and York proposal is included at Appendix 1 to this report.
- 2.3 The pioneer proposal closely mirrors the draft integration framework and set out the aspirations and priorities for integration across our complex health and social care system. Irrespective of the outcome of the pioneer application partners are committed to the ambition of the proposal and developing integrated services. The Integrated Commissioning Board is now organising the resources to deliver the substantial work programme.

3. Spending Review Announcement

- 3.1 On 26th June 2013 the Chancellor announced details of the 2015/16 Spending Review. Included in his announcement were plans to create a £3.8 billion pool of funding for integrated health and social care in 2015/16. This includes existing funds of £1.8 billion and a new transfer of £2 billion from NHS funding. This would bring a new transfer of circa £20 million into North Yorkshire County Council.
- 3.2 Further details are awaited, but it is clear that HWB will have a significant role in approving the plans for health and social care funding to deliver integrated services.

3.3 It is understood that a portion of the funding will not be paid up front and will only be released if CCGs and councils can demonstrate their investments have resulted in improved outcomes, such as reductions in the proportion of patients with long term conditions requiring emergency admissions to hospital.

4. Conclusion

- 4.1 National policy continues to reinforce the priority being given to bringing health and social care closer together.
- 4.2 At the next Board meeting the integration framework will be brought to the Board for approval with prioritised implementation plans.

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