

Integrated Care Fund – Health & Social Care**Report by Eibhlin McHugh, Joint Director, Health & Social Care****1 Purpose of Report**

The purpose of the report is to update the Council on the Integrated Care Fund Plan and recommend the approval from Council on the proposed investments to support the delivery of integrated health and wellbeing outcomes for adult health and social care in 2015-16.

2 Background

2.1 The Scottish Government announced that additional resources of £100m will be made available to health and social care partnerships in 2015-16 to support delivery of improved outcomes from health and social care integration, help drive the shift towards prevention and further strengthen our approach to tackling inequalities.

2.2 In following the previous funding allocation formula used for the Change Fund, the investment amount for Midlothian is £1.44m. This is an increase on the c£970,000 for the Change Fund however the scope of work is wider within the Integrated Care Fund.

2.3 The Integrated Care Fund is to be used to test and drive a wider set of innovative and preventative approaches in order to reduce future demand, support adults with multi-morbidity and address issues around the inverse care law, where people who most need care are least likely to receive it. Given that the funding is available for one year, it is important that these approaches are built in to and sustained through the longer term strategic commissioning approach.

2.4 Central to these approaches will be the shift to support the assets of individuals and communities so that they have greater control over their own lives and capacity for self-management, particularly of multiple conditions. The third sector has a particularly crucial role to play in supporting such an approach and there has been a series of engagement events with third sector partners and community groups.

2.5 The six key principles underpinning the development and direction of the Integrated Care Fund Plan in Midlothian are set out below:

- Co-production
- Sustainability
- Locality
- Leverage
- Involvement
- Outcomes

- 2.6** The Midlothian Partnership has made significant progress in reshaping care for older people and will seek to build upon this in delivering improved outcomes for adults across health and social care through the Integrated Care Fund (ICF).
- 2.7** The attached ICF Plan (appendix 1) sets out in more detail the planned investment themes across local areas, with a key focus on supporting self-management for people with long-term conditions; addressing social isolation; lifestyle management approaches; more effective use of telehealthcare; reducing falls across a wider age range; preventing hospital admissions; facilitating early discharge; building community capacity and resilience; ongoing support for care homes; and dedicated support for carers and families.

3 Report Implications

3.1 Resource

The funding from Scottish Government for 2015-16 is £1.44m and the proposed investments for the ICF Plan are deliverable within this financial allocation.

3.2 Risk

The main risk associated with the ICF Plan is achieving a demonstrable change in outcomes for people with multi-morbidity over the one-year period of the funding. There will be a need to review the impact of this work to determine what needs to be incorporated in to core service delivery in future years.

3.3 Single Midlothian Plan and Business Transformation

Themes addressed in this report:

- ☐ Community safety
- ☒ Adult health, care and housing
- ☐ Getting it right for every Midlothian child
- ☒ Improving opportunities in Midlothian
- ☐ Sustainable growth
- ☐ Business transformation and Best Value
- ☐ None of the above

3.4 Key Priorities within the Single Midlothian Plan

The ICF Plan supports the key priorities and long-term outcomes of the Single Midlothian Plan for adult health and care:

- Enable people to live as independently as possible
- People have access to socially inclusive and personalised services
- People are supported and treated at home rather than in care homes and hospital
- Carers are fully supported, trained and informed to enable them to carry out their role

3.5 Impact on Performance and Outcomes

The delivery of the ICF Plan will support the achievement of the key performance measures relating to adult health and social care.

3.6 Adopting a Preventative Approach

A key aspect of the ICF Plan is the focus on preventative actions to further reduce future demand on services. The main investment is on early intervention, self management and capacity building to support resilience for people and communities.

3.7 Involving Communities and Other Stakeholders

In support of the work around the Strategic Issues paper and the identification of the ICF Plan, there has been extensive engagement with communities, community groups and staff across all localities in Midlothian. This engagement process has helped shaped the ICF Plan.

3.8 Ensuring Equalities

A key feature of the ICF Plan is on reducing inequalities, particularly those living in areas of multiple deprivation and/or with long-term conditions. The development of the ICF Plan has been supported by robust data from Public Health in NHS Lothian to ensure the investment is targeted the most appropriate people and communities.

3.9 Supporting Sustainable Development

There are no Sustainable Development issues directly associated with this report.

3.10 IT Issues

There are no IT issues directly associated with this report.

4 Summary

The Scottish Government has allocated the Midlothian Partnership £1.44m through the Integrated Care Fund to deliver a range of interventions and services to support adults with multi-morbidity and to address inequalities. The attached plan sets out how the Midlothian Partnership will tackle these issues, with a focus on prevention and early intervention.

5 Recommendations

1. Approve the proposed investments through the Integrated Care Fund to support the delivery of integrated health and wellbeing outcomes for adult health and social care in 2015-16.

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Background Papers:

Integrated Care Fund Plan 2015-16

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