

TITLE OF REPORT: Better Care Fund: 4th Quarter Return (2019/20)

Purpose of the Report

1. To seek the endorsement of the Health & Wellbeing Board to the Better Care Fund return to NHS England for the 4th Quarter of 2019/20.

Background

2. The HWB approved the Gateshead Better Care Fund (BCF) submission for 2019/20 at its meeting on 18th October 2019. NHS England is continuing its monitoring arrangements for the BCF which requires quarterly template returns to be submitted.

Quarter 4 Template Return for 2019/20

3. In line with the timetable set by NHS England, a return for the 4th quarter of 2019/20 was submitted on the 4th June. The return sets out the end of year position relating to funding, the meeting of national conditions, performance against BCF metrics and narrative sections on highlights and feedback.

Proposal

4. The endorsement of the Board is sought to the BCF return for the 4th Quarter of 2019/20 which has been submitted to NHS England (attached as an excel document).

Recommendations

5. The Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to retrospectively endorse the Better Care Fund return for the 4th Quarter of 2019/20.

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