

Adult Social Care Funding

- **The crisis in Adult Social Care Funding has been part of national debates recently and has been a feature of significant investment in recent Government Budgets; changes to Council Tax increases for Councils, one off specific grants to local government and the introduction of the Improved Better Care Fund following the already established Better Care fund of June 2013.**

- **The adult social work service in Derby is under considerable strain from demographic, legislative and health and care system pressures. Managing demand strategies are in place but can only deal with lower end need and risk. Urgent and complex cases require an appropriate and proportional response and this invariably involves on-going provision for frail elderly people and younger adults with long term conditions**

Additional ASC Funding

MTEP Adult Social Care Funding		17/18 £000	18/19 £000	19/20 £000
ASC Precept		2,466	2,742	-
ASC Grant (One off funding)		1,154	-	-
IBCF (New Nov 16)		832	5,118	8,918
IBCF (New March 17)		5,265	3,280	1,624
Total NEW ASC		9,717	11,140	10,542
BCF Existing		11,322	11,322	11,322
TOTAL ASC		21,039	22,462	21,864

Service Pressures (1)

- The Care Act has broadened the access to safeguarding categories which has led to a significant increase in safeguarding activity.
- The Cheshire West Judgement has exponentially increased the volume of Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards (DoLS) requests
- Due to the well- publicised pressure in hospitals and on primary care there has been a significant additional response requirement from adult social care to discharge and arrange packages of care quickly to keep the local health and care system flowing.

Service Pressures (2)

- The SEND reforms have impacted on the transitions team where ASC staff are contributing to EHC plans for disabled younger adults.
- The exiting of staff from the locality teams to the MASH and the hospital teams has left the locality teams under severe pressure
- In addition to the staffing issues above there are some genuine market stability and dignity in care issues that need to be considered.

Improved Better Care Fund - iBCF

- iBCF is a grant to Local Authorities that is in addition to the main Better Care Fund (BCF)
- No indication that it will be recurrent
- Has separate grant conditions to the BCF and must be spent on social care services that support one or more of the following:
 - *Meet demand for adult social care*
 - *Assist with reducing pressure on the NHS, including supporting hospital discharges*
 - *Ensuring the local care market is supported*

Planned Use of iBCF in Derby

- To prioritise the use of the additional iBCF in the following way:
- Fund the projected cost of rising demand that had already been indicated as needing funding within our financial plans – this is increased assessments and care packages
- Bolster social work support for the hospital to assist with discharges, reviewing packages and dealing with demands from younger adults
- Bolster social work staffing to provide in light of increased safeguarding activity and requests under the Deprivation of Liberty Safeguard legislation
- Fund care provider price increases that are reasonable and beyond the cost of normal inflation e.g Living Wage
- Fund any overspends that may arise as a result of rising demands

Managing increasing demand for social care assessments and the associated cost of care		Supporting the Care Market	Support to assist with the NHS pressures
Impact - the Council can meet it's Care Act duties, and duties under DOLS and the MCA. This will mean having capacity to manage requests for assessments and support, but also to prevent or delay the need for support where possible. The Council will also be able to pay and arrange for care keeping people at home for longer.		Impact - the Council can fulfil it's market shaping duties by ensuring there is an affordable range of care providers that are able to respond to demand and presenting need. This would include ensuring providers can meet their obligations as employers and sustain the care workforce.	Impact – The Council can assist 7 days a week with demand for assessments and care packages from people leaving hospital, or at risk of admission. This will maintain and improve performance on DTOCs, reduce the number of people going into long term care from hospital and also assist with reducing avoidable admissions.
2017-18	£3,005,000	£2,284,000	£808,000
2018-19	£3,696,150	£2,763,010	£1,938,840