

**Manchester City Council
Report for Resolution**

Report to: Executive – 16 March 2022

Subject: Better Care Fund Section 75 2022/23

Report of: Deputy Chief Executive & City Treasurer and City Solicitor

Purpose of Report

The report sets out the proposed extension of the current Section 75 Partnership Agreement (S75) between Manchester CCG and Manchester City Council on the Better Care Fund and the Improved Better Care Fund.

Recommendations

Executive is asked to:

1. Approve the extension of the S75 on the Better Care Fund and the Improved Better Care Fund.
 2. Provide delegated authority to the Deputy Chief Executive and City Treasurer and City Solicitor, in consultation with Executive Member, to finalise any amendments that need to be made to the document.
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Wards Affected: All

Environmental Impact Assessment - the impact of the decisions proposed in this report on achieving the zero-carbon target for the city

Manchester Strategy Outcomes	Summary of the Contribution to the Strategy
A thriving and sustainable city: supporting a diverse and distinctive economy that creates jobs and opportunities	Improve the health and wellbeing of people in Manchester. To achieve a sustainable system.
A highly skilled city: world class and home-grown talent sustaining the city's economic success	
A progressive and equitable city: making a positive contribution by unlocking the potential of our communities	

A liveable and low carbon city: a destination of choice to live, visit, work	
A connected city: world class infrastructure and connectivity to drive growth	

Full details are in the body of the report, along with implications for:

- Equal Opportunities
- Risk Management
- Legal Considerations

Financial Consequences Revenue

No direct financial implications as a result of revised S75 agreement. No changes to BCF pooled monies reported in previous periods with the exception of underlying budgetary changes (e.g. growth), which have already been subject to MHCC and MCC governance.

Financial Consequences – Capital

No direct financial implications as a result of revised S75 agreement.

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Background documents (available for public inspection):

The following documents disclose important facts on which the report is based and have been relied upon in preparing the report. Copies of the background documents are available up to 4 years after the date of the meeting. If you would like a copy, please contact one of the contact officers above.

Better Care Fund Section 75 2021/22 – Executive Meeting November 2021

1.0 Background

- 1.1. On 1 April 2021, new arrangements came into place between Manchester City Council (MCC) and Manchester Foundation Trust (MFT) to 'supercharge' Manchester's Local Care Organisation. This included the creation of a new Section 75 (S75) between MCC and MFT which included Adult Social Care services, which previously was between Manchester Clinical Commissioning Group (MCCG) and MCC.
- 1.2. As a result of the new S75 between MCC and MFT, it was confirmed that:
 - Manchester CCG and Manchester City Council would seek a continued and meaningful relationship under the banner of Manchester Health and Care Commissioning.
 - The Population Health and Wellbeing function would remain part of the MHCC working arrangements through the Director of Population Health and his team. However, the budget would be overseen by MCC.
 - MHCC would no longer have any role, responsibility or accountability with regard to Adult Social Care.
 - The integrated budget arrangements would cease. However, CCGs and Local Authorities are obliged to have a Better Care Fund pooled budget.
 - In order to maintain continuity, alignment, and the ability to effectively carry out MHCC's functions for 2021/22, the CCG welcomed continued MCC representation on the MHCC Board and Strategy Committee.
- 1.3. As a result of these changes, the MCCG / MCC S75 has been amended to reflect the arrangements, which were set out in the report to Executive in November 2021 and covered the period 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022.
- 1.4. The S75 has been presented to, and endorsed by, MHCC Executive and Finance Committee on 21 October 2021 and the CCG's Governing Body on the 27 October 2021.
- 1.5. Further work is ongoing separately to review and protect services and contracts MCC currently have with the CCG as a result of the transfer to the new Integrated Care System in 2022/23.

2.0 Proposed MCCG / MCC Section 75 2022/23

- 2.1. The NHS reforms, which will see the replacement of the Greater Manchester CCGs with an Integrated Care System, have been delayed to 1 July 2022. This delay will result in a more fragmented budget process as funding will be allocated for the first quarter of the year via the current CCG system, and for the remaining three quarters via the new ICS.

- 2.2. The proposal is to extend the current S75 to the 31 March 2023, recognising the S75 is likely to be novated on the date at which the Manchester CCG transfers to the Integrated Care System.
- 2.3. There will be a requirement to update the financial contributions within the document once the final Better Care Funding allocations are published. The Executive is asked to approve the extension to the S75, but to also provide delegated authority to the Deputy Chief Executive and City Treasurer and City Solicitor, in consultation with Executive Member, to make any amendments to finalise the document (in agreement with Manchester CCG colleagues). Any changes considered to be material would need to be presented to the Executive for approval.

3.0 Recommendations

- 3.1. The Executive is asked to:
 1. Approve the extension of the S75 on the Better Care Fund and the Improved Better Care Fund.
 2. Provide delegated authority to the Deputy Chief Executive and City Treasurer and City Solicitor, in consultation with Executive Member, to finalise any amendments that need to be made to the document.