

DRAFT PROPOSAL - NHS Support for Social Care: 2013/14

The Government has provided non-recurrent funding of £4.6m (for 2013-14) to the NHS Commissioning Board to be used to support adult social care within the Islington area, which also has a health benefit. Local health partners have been tasked with working together with the Council to agree how the funding is best used within social care. Decisions on spend are expected (by Government) to take into account the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment for the borough and existing commissioning plans for both health and social care.

The NHS funding will enable Islington Council to maintain service provision at the current level for residents with moderate needs, which will benefit both social care and health care as it will prevent more costly interventions in the future.

The 2013/14 allocation is detailed below.

It should be noted due to this funding being non-recurrent the council may face future cost pressures, for example from on going costs of placements, that will need to be resolved as part of the 2015/16 budget setting process.

Allocation	Description	£'000
Adult Social Services Demography	Contribution towards demographic growth pressure in social care, unfunded as part of 2011/12 MTFS process.	980
Community Based Care Services incl. Aids and Adaptations	To maintain and support vulnerable service users in the community and contribute towards reducing hospital admissions.	950
Telecare	To support the development and improvement of Telecare (technology to assist maintaining independence in the home), in line with the NHS operating plan.	400
Commissioning Capacity	To offset the reduction in joint commissioning capacity resulting from the PCT restructures. This is to enable the effective provision of a joint commissioning function and the delivery of savings.	100
Transition	To support and develop more effective transition processes from Children's to Adult Service's, to delivery efficiencies and effectively manage future cost pressures.	200
Adults Transformation	To support the transformation of adult social care	500
Community Alarms (MTFS 2012/13)	To fund and support community alarms.	400
Income Maximisation	Additional staff required in response to the Welfare Reforms, Mitigation of the impact of the welfare changes can be expected to have direct effect on the numbers accessing Social Care and Health services.	100
Loss in Grant Income	As highlighted in the 2011/12 budget report a number of adult grants are used to fund mainstream service provision. As part of 2011/12 financial settlement adult grants have been rolled into the formula grant and reduced by £824m (20.7%). See below for further details.	824
Total		£4,454
13/14 NHS Monies		£4,602
Contingency Balance		£148

Details of “Loss of Grant Income”

Grant Name	Description	£'000
<i>Carers Grant</i>	A reduction in funding to carers may result in increased costs to the Council due to the breakdown of carers support. HASS department will utilise additional NHS monies to mitigate the risk of carers being unable to provide support and being replaced with more expensive longer term social care services.	282
<i>Learning Disabilities Development Fund (LDDF)</i>	This grant is used to fund mainstream service provision for clients with Learning Disabilities as part of the Council's contribution to the pooled budget with NHS Islington (NHSI). HASS department will utilise additional NHS monies to maintain service provision and the contribution to the Islington Learning Disabilities Partnership pooled budget.	56
<i>Mental Health Core Grant</i>	This grant is used to fund mainstream service provision for mental health clients as part of the Council's contribution to the pooled budget with Foundation Trust (FT). HASS department will utilise additional NHS monies to maintain service provision and the contribution to the MH Pool.	198
<i>Preserved Rights Grant</i>	This grant is used to fund mainstream service provision for clients with Learning Disabilities as part of the Council's contribution to the pooled budget with NHS Islington (NHSI). HASS department will utilise additional NHS monies to maintain service provision and the contribution to the Islington Learning Disabilities Partnership pooled budget.	200
<i>HIV Grant</i>	This grant is used to fund mainstream service provision for clients with HIV. HASS department will utilise additional NHS monies to maintain service provision.	91
Total		824