

MEDIUM TERM SERVICE & RESOURCE PLAN – SAVING DETAILS (2015/16 ONLY)

ADULT SOCIAL CARE

2015-16 Saving £000	How saving to be achieved	Previously Reported Impact to Service Delivery	Director's Update on Saving Proposal for November 2014 PDS Panel
296	Decrease in Sirona contractual values as agreed.	Already accommodated in service planning and contractual arrangements.	This saving is already incorporated in the contract with Sirona.
575	<p>In partnership with Sirona Care & Health further efficiency savings from the contract with 'Sirona' Care & Health. This would be in addition to the £9.0m savings already built into the five year contract between Sirona, the Council and the Primary Care Trust. A recently published Audit Commission report <i>"Reducing the cost of assessments and reviews"</i> based on 2010/11 benchmarking information, which pre-dates the establishment of Sirona, suggests that efficiencies from social care processes could be achieved in the medium term. Target is based on bringing B&NES costs closer to the national benchmark.</p> <p>Delivery of the saving would need to be supported by: i) improved access to signposting, provision of advice and information (including to self-funders); ii) policy and process redesign, including increases in self-assessment; and iii) pathway redesign, culture change and skill-mix review.</p>	<p>Any service impacts would need to be assessed in light of the detailed savings plans, to be developed and agreed during 2013/14. The Audit Commission report suggests that savings can be made without adversely impacting on quality.</p> <p>If implemented in the right way, this change could impact positively on service users as a) some service users would self-assess or be signposted to services with no requirement for an assessment; and b) people who 'self-fund' their care services would be able to access advice (particularly financial advice) and, also a 'brokerage' service that would enable them to choose the provider of their service in light of up to date, accurate information on value for money, quality etc.</p>	<p>As set out in the update to Wellbeing PDS in November 2013, delivery of this saving is closely linked to the redesign of the adult social care pathway, which, in turn is linked to the development of community cluster teams and alignment to GP practice clusters.</p> <p>The re-designed adult social care pathway redesign, including the expansion of the integrated reablement and rehabilitation service launched, as planned, on 1st July 2014. Associated savings from efficiency and improvements in outcomes through early intervention and prevention have been incorporated into the contract with Sirona.</p>

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455	<p>A planned reduction of spend on purchasing the provision of personal care and support for older people, including those with dementia, adults with mental health needs, adults with learning difficulties and disabled adults, including those with sensory impairment.</p> <p>Primarily achieved by reducing admissions to residential care, particularly for older people, including those with dementia, by improving access to preventative and early intervention and also, by ensuring that signposting, access to universal services and advice to all, including self-funders, is effective. This saving aligns with investment plans to develop preventative services.</p>	<p>Some service users and their families/carers view admission to residential or nursing care as the "safe" (low-risk) option. Our staff will work to ensure that any concerns about community-based alternatives are addressed effectively. In order to reduce such concerns and mitigate any risks, it would be critical to ensure strong, effective preventative and early intervention services, pathway redesign, and improved signposting and access (including to self-funders) to financial advice.</p> <p>Further investment of Section 256 and, from 2015/16 Better Care Fund funding as well as a strategic shift in the investment of a proportion of Supporting People & Communities Funding would be appropriate in supporting the further development of this approach, which is in line with current national and local health and social care strategies.</p> <p>Proposal will increase pressures on Commissioning Team and will require culture change programme for practitioners.</p>	<p>An expansion of access to early intervention and preventative services, in particular integrated reablement and rehabilitation services are in place with future funding identified in B&NES Better Care Fund Plan 2014/15-2018/19 which was agreed by the Health & Wellbeing Board in September 2014. The integrated reablement and rehabilitation service is designed to prevent unplanned admissions to hospital or nursing care and, also to support discharge from hospital.</p> <p>Other preventative and early intervention services being funded through the Better Care Fund Plan include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expansion of the Independent Living Service; • Mental Health Reablement beds; • Social Prescribing Service; • Enhanced support for carers; and • Handyperson service, step-down accommodation with care, and intensive home from hospital service, all designed to support hospital discharge.
1,326	ADULT SOCIAL CARE TOTAL SAVING		

