

## **RECORD OF COMMITTEE CHAIR'S URGENT ACTION**

**Title of Report: Better Care Fund (BCF) Quarterly Return – Quarter 4 2014-15**

### **Reason for urgency or**

#### **Relevant paragraph for authority under scheme of delegation**

Section E, - Scheme of delegation section 5, indicates that where action need to be taken on an urgent matter between meetings of the Cabinet, or any Committee or Sub Committee of the Cabinet or Council this can be taken forward by the Leader for Executive functions and in the case of non Executive functions, the director can take the decision in consultation with the Chair of the Committee.

The Better Care Support Team (which sits across the Department of Health, Department for Communities and Local Government, the Local Government Association and NHS England) issued a Better Care Fund (BCF) reporting template on 11<sup>th</sup> May 2015. The first reporting template covers the Quarter 4 2014-15 period (Jan to Mar 2015) and must be submitted by 29 May 2015.

The report is part of the national administration of the BCF as set out in the Guidance for the Operationalisation of the BCF in 2015-16 (NHS England). The guidance recommends that the template is signed off by Health and Well-being Boards (HWBBs) and a space is left on the template for the name of the HWBB signatory. The Better Care Support Team have simplified the template and the first one will briefly capture assurance that areas are meeting national conditions.

As the template has only recently been issued, a completed version was tabled for discussion at the Health and Care Integration (HACI) Board on 13 May 2015. The HACI Board agreed that to meet the submission deadline that delegated authority will be needed from the HWBB.

The first quarterly return for Haringey is assessed as low risk as four of the six national conditions have been met and two are in progress. An explanation has been given for the response to all these questions, however it is noted that any comments to questions answered 'yes' will be cleared before submission in accordance with guidance.

**Decision of the Acting Director for Adult Social Care**

**I approve the recommendation as set out in the attached report having consulted with members of the Health and Social Care integration Board, which included the Chief Operating Officer of the CCG and the Deputy Chief Executive, Haringey council on the 13<sup>th</sup> May 2015.**

**Signature**

*B. F. Tanka*

**Date: 27<sup>th</sup> May 2015**

**Concurrence of the Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board**

**Once signed by the Chief Officer this cover sheet together with the substantive report must be forwarded to the Cabinet Committees Team - Level 5, River Park House - for processing.**