Voluntary Sector Lancashire

Contribution to Health and Social Care outcomes

Background

The Lancashire Better Care Fund Plan (2016/17) will include in its narrative a commitment to engage with the voluntary sector over the coming 12 months to explore and pilot new models of shared delivery in support of the BCF outcomes. This initial 12 month commitment is a first step in a broader commitment that will see the Voluntary sector in Lancashire as a co-production and delivery partner in Lancashire by 2021.

It is proposed that if this model can be established within BCF (as an enabling programme), there would be the potential to advocate for the commitment to be integrated within the wider Healthier Lancashire model, the Lancashire and South Cumbria Sustainability and Transformation Plan and programmes of delivery.

Proposed 5 year commitment within the Lancashire BCF Plan:

"By 2021 Lancashire BCF will enable its networks and our voluntary sector partners to work collaboratively to understand and jointly respond to gaps and risks within services (particularly prevention), working cooperatively to identify and resource models of shared delivery which improve outcomes for service users".

Proposed 12 months actions to feature in the BCF plan:

"Over the coming 12 months, Lancashire Better Care will engage with our networks and the voluntary sector to:

- Build positive relationships and an understanding of potential benefits of joint work
- Explore specific opportunities where there are gaps and risks within planned services (with a particular focus on prevention)
- Examine opportunities to support voluntary sector partners to access resources from wider funders and the NHS in support of BCF priorities
- Pilot joint delivery to build confidence and cohesion in our aligned networks
- Evaluate the impact and report back to the BCF Steering Group on the cost / benefits of work with the voluntary sector
- Advocate for the Voluntary sector within the BCF network and Healthier Lancashire Sustainability and Transformation Plan programmes."

Anticipated outcomes:

"12 months outcomes for BCF are anticipated as:

- A positive shift in relationships and networks which will bring the BCF network and key strategic voluntary sectors together
- A joint understanding and shared commitment to progressing key priorities for BCF
- Market testing of the viability and robustness of the voluntary sector to deliver BCF priorities
- Insight and learning from 12 months of joint activity to inform work to achieve our 5 year commitment to work with the voluntary sector"