

## **Better Care Fund**

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Further to your Freedom of Information Act request, please find the Trust's response(s) below:

I am reaching out to better understand the allocation of funds attributed to the Better Care Fund.

1. Does your Trust receive a budget to spend yourselves from the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB), or do you receive services that have already been procured at an HWB/ICS level?

Answer: We receive BCF funding.

2. If your Trust receives a budget, would you be able to share the value of this budget per annum, and the provenance of the budget (HWB/ICS) for the last 5 years.

Answer: Please see table below. Please note: 2023/24 is current forecast income.

BCF	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Summary					
Total	£3,472,397	£3,272,567	£3,452,901	£3,343,962	£3,367,000

3. If your Trust does receive a budget, could you break down the allocation of the funds, by type of expenditure and supplier for the last 5 years.

Answer: The BCF funds formed part of the total funding for the delivery of specific services. It is not possible to accurately split out the costs that the BCF funds covered since it was a pooled budget.

The Fund is used for Staff costs, not allocated to specific staff groups, but general provision of community service delivery.

4. If your Trust does not receive a budget, are there specific services provided by the ICS/Local authority coming directly from the Better Care Fund that are used by your Trust?

Answer: This question is not applicable.

5. If so, please list the services and suppliers procured and the value of the tenders. Answer: This question is not applicable.