
TRANSFORMING CARE PROGRAMME - CAPITAL FUNDING

**Responsible Cabinet Member - Councillor Veronica Copeland,
Adult Social Care and Housing Portfolio**

Responsible Director - Murray Rose, Director of Commissioning

SUMMARY REPORT

Purpose of the Report

1. To request Cabinet's agreement for the release of funds from the Transforming Care Programme Capital Grant.

Summary

2. The Council has been successful in being awarded a capital grant of £60,000 from the Department of Health's Transforming Care Capital Grant fund. The award is designed to facilitate the discharge of people currently living inappropriately as in-patients in assessment and treatment services.
3. The funding will be used in partnership with a local support provider for capital works to facilitate the discharge of an individual from hospital.

Recommendation

4. It is recommended that Cabinet approves the release of the £60,000 Transforming Care Capital Grant.

Reasons

5. The Grant was awarded to the Council for the purpose set out in its original application, namely to support the discharge of an individual from hospital.

Murray Rose
Director of Commissioning

Background Papers

Information for Local Authorities – Appendix 1
Letter to Darlington – Appendix 2

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S17 Crime and Disorder	No implications for crime and disorder
Health and Well Being	The Council has identified the Health of the people of the Borough as a key priority. This capital award will support people to be a part of their local community
Carbon Impact	There are no carbon impact implications in this report
Diversity	This report supports the right of disabled people to live as part of their local community and not in a hospital environment
Wards Affected	No Wards are adversely affected
Groups Affected	No groups are affected
Budget and Policy Framework	No impact on the budgetary framework
Key Decision	This is not a key decision
Urgent Decision	This is not an urgent decision
One Darlington: Perfectly Placed	This links to theme 3 'Healthy Darlington' specifically addressing health inequalities to narrow the gaps in health and wellbeing. .
Efficiency	This report does not identify the potential for specific efficiency savings

MAIN REPORT

Information and Analysis

6. In October 2014 the Department of Health sought applications for access to capital funding to support the discharge of those people with a learning disability, autism and/or challenging behaviours that are still living as hospital in-patients.
7. Following the events at Winterbourne View Hospital, when an undercover BBC Panorama Team uncovered wide scale abuse in a private hospital, a national audit was undertaken that identified all of those people in England and Wales who effectively had a hospital as an address. That audit identified four people who were the responsibility of Darlington Borough Council; to date three of these individuals have been effectively discharged from hospital.
8. There is a plan in place to support the discharge of the remaining individual and in March 2015 Council have approved the revenue funding implications. Due to the complexity of the support required it has taken some time to identify a support provider and develop a bespoke support package built around their particular needs.
9. An application was made for a grant of £60,000. The grant will be used by a local provider to contribute to the refurbishment of a property into which this individual will be discharged. This refurbishment will increase the chances of a successful transition from hospital to community.
10. Should the this placement not be successful, the capital works undertaken will ensure that there is a resource locally that is able to support people with complex

needs within the community and reduce the risk of hospital admission or need to move away from Darlington to have social care needs met.

Consultation

11. There is no requirement for formal or informal consultation.