



North East and North Cumbria

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NORTH EAST AND NORTH CUMBRIA ICB BOARD MEETING	
31 January 2023	
Report Title:	Finance, Performance and Investment (FPI) Committee Chair Highlight report
Purpose of report	
To provide Board members with an overview of items considered and discussed at the FPI committee	
Key points	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A summary of the highlights from the November, December and January FPI Committee meetings 	
Risks and issues	
<p><u>Financial</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are a number of potential financial risks to manage in 2022/23, including growth in prescribing costs and independent sector activity pressures in the ICB along with pressures associated with the pay award and other cost pressures impacting the wider ICS position. Unmitigated financial risk across the ICS was assessed at £35m at month 8, with work continuing across the system to manage the potential risk. Work is ongoing to review planning guidance and develop financial plans for 2023/24, however the 2022/23 financial position across the ICS includes significant non-recurring benefits which will present a significant financial challenge to developing a balanced plan for 2023/24. Initial estimates indicate a significant recurring deficit across the ICS. There is also a risk to delivery of the ICS capital position in 22/23 given the current forecast pressure although this is reducing. NHS England have developed a protocol for changes to in-year financial forecasts which sets out a process for organisations and systems to follow where forecasts may deteriorate from plan. This will require careful management in both delivering the in-year position and in agreeing financial plans across the system for 2023/24. 	

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Whilst there are a number of performance issues across the ICB, the two main ones are as follows:

- Category 2 Ambulance response times
- Clearing the 78 week waiting lists

Assurances

- For the Board to gain assurance that the FPI Committee is undertaking the relevant discussions and approvals in line with its Terms of Reference

Recommendation/action required

The Board is asked to:

- Note the contents of the committee highlight report;
- Receive the approved November and December minutes for information

Acronyms and abbreviations explained						
Sponsor/approving director	David Chandler, Interim Executive Director of Finance					
Report author	Richard Henderson, Director of Corporate Finance Jen Lawson, General Manager					
Link to ICB corporate aims (please tick all that apply)						
CA1: Improve outcomes in population health and healthcare						
CA2: tackle inequalities in outcomes, experience and access						
CA3: Enhance productivity and value for money						✓
CA4: Help the NHS support broader social and economic development						✓
Relevant legal/statutory issues						
Note any relevant Acts, regulations, national guidelines etc						
Any potential/actual conflicts of interest associated with the paper? (please tick)	Yes		No		N/A	✓
If yes, please specify						
Equality analysis completed (please tick)	Yes		No		N/A	✓
If there is an expected impact on patient outcomes and/or experience, has a quality impact assessment been undertaken? (please tick)	Yes		No		N/A	✓
Key implications						
Are additional resources required?	N/A					
Has there been/does there need to be appropriate clinical involvement?	N/A					
Has there been/does there need to be any patient and public involvement?	N/A					
Has there been/does there need to be partner and/or other stakeholder engagement?	N/A					

Finance, Performance and Investment (FPI) Committee Highlight Report

Introduction

The purpose of the FPI Committee is to provide oversight and assurance to the Board in the development and delivery of a robust, viable and sustainable, system financial plan. The committee reviews and scrutinises the financial performance of both the ICB and NHS organisations within the ICB footprint, as well as having an overview of overall operational performance and investments.

Summary report

The FPI Committee, chaired by Jon Rush, Non-Executive Director, has met on 3 November and 1 December (approved minutes attached). It also met on 5 January, albeit that these minutes will not be approved until the next meeting scheduled for 2 February, hence why they are not circulated with this report.

As the Board received an update at its meeting on 29 November regarding the FPI Committee meeting held on 3 November, this update will cover the meetings held on 1 December and 5 January.

1 December 2022

The Committee were provided with a summary of the ICB Oversight Framework for information and assurance. The new oversight arrangements are now moving into implementation phase Meetings would commence with Directors of Place and Trusts later in December 2022.

The Committee also reviewed, at a high level, the Integrated Quality and Performance report, focusing on the most recent unpublished data following the report at the Board on 29 November.

Updates from the Interim Executive Director of Finance included the Financial position for the ICB for the period to 31 October; historic surpluses, risk management report and the NHS England overspend protocol.

5 January 2023

The Committee reviewed the financial position of the ICB and wider ICS for the period to 30 November 2022 and received an update from the interim Executive Director of Finance on the latest forecast position for the year and ongoing work with partner organisations to manage remaining financial risks. Although a number of potential financial risks remain, a balanced financial position across the ICS is expected.

Updates were also received from the Executive Director of Strategy and Operations and interim Executive Director of Finance on the 2023/24 national planning guidance published by NHS England. This included the Operational Plan priorities and key measurable objectives which the ICS will focus on, along with the latest expected financial allocations and payment

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arrangements for elective activity. The ICB is expected to receive the lowest % growth in England and significant financial challenges are expected for 2023/24.

The arrangements and timescales for developing and agreeing 2023/24 plans was discussed with further updates to be provided to future Committee meetings and to the Board.

Recommendation

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