



GOVERNING BODY

Agenda Item No.	06
Reference No.	IESCCG 19-01
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Title	Chair and Chief Officer Action – No 01/2018
Lead Chief Officer	Amanda Lyes, Chief Corporate Services Officer
Author(s)	Maddie Baker-Woods, Chief Operating Officer
Purpose	To present to the Governing Body for endorsement recent action taken by the Chair and Chief Officer.

Applicable CCG Clinical Priorities:

1.	To promote self care	
2.	To ensure high quality local services where possible	
3.	To improve the health of those most in need	
4.	To improve health & educational attainment for children & young people	
5.	To improve access to mental health services	
6.	To improve outcomes for patients with diabetes to above national averages	
7.	To improve care for frail elderly individuals	
8.	To allow patients to die with dignity & compassion & to choose their place of death	
9.	To ensure that the CCG operates within agreed budgets	

Action required by Governing Body:

To endorse action taken by the Chair and Chief Officer to approve investment to the Emergency Winter Food Programme.



CHAIRMAN AND CHIEF OFFICER ACTION – No: -01/2018

Title	Winter Emergency Food Proposal 2018/19	
Lead Chief Officer	Maddie Baker-Woods/Kate Vaughton, Chief Operating Officers	
Author(s)	Maddie Baker-Woods	
Purpose	To approve investment of £60,000 into Emergency Winter Food programmes across Ipswich and East Suffolk.	
Applicable CCG Clinical Priorities:		
1.	To promote self care	
2.	To ensure high quality local services where possible	
3.	To improve the health of those most in need	X
4.	To improve health & educational attainment for children & young people	X
5.	To improve access to mental health services	
6.	To improve outcomes for patients with diabetes to above national averages	
7.	To improve care for frail elderly individuals	X
8.	To allow patients to die with dignity & compassion & to choose their place of death	
9.	To ensure that the CCG operates within agreed budgets	
Action required:		
To approve investment of £60,000 into Emergency Winter Food programmes across Ipswich and East Suffolk.		

1.0 Purpose

1.1 The Governing Body is invited to approve investment of £60,000 into Emergency Winter Food programmes across Ipswich and East Suffolk.

2.0 Background

2.1 As a health and care system, we have identified income deprivation and health inequalities as a key cause of ill-health.

- There is a 12 year drop in life expectancy between Suffolk's most deprived areas and the least deprived.
- 27.8% of children in Ipswich live in poverty. The most deprived children and young people are 1.5 times more likely to go to A & E or be admitted to hospital than the least deprived
- In 2007, there was one foodbank in Suffolk; there are now 15 and 35 other groups providing emergency food. Nationwide, the Trussell Trust's foodbank network provided 658,048 emergency supplies to people in crisis between April and September 2018; a 13% increase on the same period in 2017.
- Access to hot meals for vulnerable, elderly individuals was a major issue during the winter snow period last year.

2.2 The CCG has clinical priorities to:

- Improve the health of those most in need
- Improve the health and educational attainment for children and young people
- Improve care for frail elderly individuals.

2.3 More broadly, as we progress development of our 'Integrated Care System' (ICS) and local Alliances, the CCG with partners is looking to see how we can take shared responsibility for our collective resources to improve quality of care and health outcomes. Crucially, we are committed to understand and address at the causes of ill-health and distress and not just the symptoms, to effect sustained change for the people we serve.

Our Alliance has Commitments to Action to:

- Enabling you to stay well – prevention self-care and re-ablement;
- Joining up in our communities – physical, mental health and well-being;
- Changing how we invest our resources including shifting investment to prevention; and
- Reducing inequalities in outcomes and experience.

3.0 Proposal

3.1 Within this context it is proposed that over the winter period, the CCG invests **£60,000** through a partnership with Suffolk Community Foundation into boosting the availability of food to vulnerable individuals and families. A parallel proposal is being considered by West Suffolk CCG to invest £40,000. SCF is working to match this investment to create a total fund of £200,000.

3.2 As a local grantmaker, working with philanthropists, SCF already runs a grants programme for foodbanks and other groups that provide food aid, which may include organisations dedicated services to children, families, elderly individuals or homeless people. Many of these organisations also connect people with programmes to improve access to heating and wider well-being programmes e.g. to reduce social isolation and loneliness.

3.3 As well as facilitating direct benefits to individuals and families, through this initiative Suffolk Community Foundation will also help the CCG and wider Alliance partners gain further understanding of:

- The demographics of those seeking help – ages, working or on benefits, family connections
- The issues that bring them to need emergency food – redundancy, debt, relationship issues, zero hours contracts, mental health, disability, welfare reform
- The support that food banks and other groups need to create and deliver community organisations and partnerships that can respond both to emergency situations and provide long term help to take people out of income deprivation

A report of these findings will be presented to the Governing Body and Alliance by mid- 2019 in order that lessons can be learnt and applied to future planning.

4.0 Patient and Public Engagement

4.1 The need for food support within our most vulnerable communities was discussed at the CCG's Community Engagement Partnership's meeting in November. The relationship between this need and individual's mental and physical health and well-being was explored. It was agreed that it was appropriate, within a wider Alliance context for the CCG alongside other partners to invest in emergency winter food support. Views were, however, expressed that some individuals and families most in need may be concerned or unable to physically to go to a Foodbank or 'lunch club'. It is therefore essential that any projects supported through this investment are sensitive and proactive in identifying need and in their response.

5.0 Recommendation

5.1 Approval by Chair/Chief Officer Action under delegated powers is therefore sought to approve investment of £60,000 into Emergency Winter Food programmes across Ipswich and East Suffolk

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