

Decision Maker: Council

Date: 21st January 2013

Decision Type: Non-Urgent Executive

Title: PCT FUNDING – EARMARKED RESERVE

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Chief Officer: Director of Resources

Ward: N/A

1. Reason for report

The Executive on 9th January 2013 received a report seeking approval of the initial draft 2013/14 Budget and details of the actions proposed to reduce the Council's medium term "budget gap". This report is now out for consultation by the PDS Committees whose views will be reported back to the Executive at its February meeting for consideration in making the final recommendations to Council on the 2013/14 Council Tax levels. However one of the recommendations in the report relates to the need to establish an earmarked reserve in respect of funding from the PCT for which Council approval is sought.

2. **RECOMMENDATION**

Council is recommended to approve setting aside a sum of £2.5m in respect of funding from the PCT as an earmarked reserve to ensure the support of key initiatives relating to the integration of the health and social care/ "promise" programme.

Corporate Policy

1. Policy Status: Existing Policy:
 2. BBB Priority: Excellent Council:
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Financial

1. Cost of proposal: No Cost:
 2. Ongoing costs: Recurring Cost:
 3. Budget head/performance centre: Earmarked Reserve – health & Social Care Initiatives
 4. Total current budget for this head: £4,995k
 5. Source of funding: £2.5m transfer of funding from the PCT
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Staff

1. Number of staff (current and additional): N/A
 2. If from existing staff resources, number of staff hours: N/A
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Legal

1. Legal Requirement: Statutory Requirement: Formal Council approval is needed for the allocation of these funds.
 2. Call-in: Not Applicable:
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Customer Impact

1. Estimated number of users/beneficiaries (current and projected): Borough wide
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Ward Councillor Views

1. Have Ward Councillors been asked for comments? Not Applicable
2. Summary of Ward Councillors comments:

3. COMMENTARY

The Executive at its meeting on 9th January 2013 was informed that Bromley Primary Care Trust (PCT) has identified funding to support investment in further integration of the health and social care/ "promise" programme and have indicated an initial contribution of £2.5m which is expected to be followed by a further contribution at the end of the financial year.

Following discussion of this as part of the initial draft 2013/14 Budget the Executive agreed to recommend Council that the monies be set aside as an earmarked reserve to support future integration of health and social care initiatives and the "promise" programme. The utilisation of the monies will be determined within a formal Section 256 Agreement between the Council and the PCT. Any future release of monies will require the prior approval of the Executive.

Non-Applicable Sections:	Policy/Financial/Legal/Personnel
Background Documents: (Access via Contact Officer)	Report and Minute of the Executive meeting held on 9 th January 2013