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Additional Adult Social Care Grant Funding

The following Adult Social Care grants, total £462,219, were announced in February 2023 for the 2022/23 financial year.

Local authority	Local Reform and Community Voices grant 2022 to 2023	Social Care in Prisons grant 2022 to 2023	War Pensions Disregard grant 2022 to 2023	Client-Level Data Flows Support grant 2022 to 2023
Bristol	£290,662	£108,338	£43,619	£19,600

Local Reform and Community Voices Grant

The Department of Health and Social Care have now published the allocations for the Local Reform and Community Voices and Bristol's grant totals £290,662 and is comprised of the following areas:

- additional funding for deprivation of liberty safeguards (DoLS) in hospitals £43,502
- local Healthwatch funding £119,525
- funding for independent NHS complaints advisory services £127,635

Local authorities have a duty under the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 (as amended by the Health and Social Care Act 2012) to ensure that an effective local Healthwatch is operating in their area, delivering the activities set out in the legislation. The above funding (see March 2023 Cabinet report on Healthwatch recommissioning) forms part of Bristol's contribution to a Bristol, North Somerset, South Gloucestershire council's collaboration to commission this service.

Social Care in Prisons Grant

The Social Care in Prisons grant provides support to local authorities to meet the care and support needs of offenders residing in prisons, bail accommodation and approved premises, in their local area. The grant allocations for 2022 to 2023 reflect reported prison populations at 30 June 2021 and are provided under the Care Act 2014. It is a requirement that the local authority in which a prison, approved premises or bail accommodation is based will be responsible for assessing and meeting the care and support needs of the offenders residing there. The provision of care and support for those in custodial settings is based on the principle of equivalence to provision in the community. This funding will continue to meet commitments for existing commissioned care services in Bristol.

War Pensions Scheme Disregard grant

The War and Pensions Scheme Disregard grant provides support local authorities with costs associated with disregarding income from war pensions to help veterans with housing costs.

Client Level Data Flows

This is new funding (set out in the governments vision for achieving transformation of social care data, in Care Data Matters) is designed to give local authorities and government greater data insight to improve the way data is collected to help identify where social care needs to improve. Care Data Matters sets out a roadmap for improving how we collect, share and analyse data in adult social care. However, the funding for Bristol is £19,600 for 2022/23 and any plans brought forward must be set in the context of that funding envelope.