

**Item 11 - Question Time**

Response to Mrs M Davidson

NHS Highland has been notified of two funding allocations recently that relate to Adult Services.

NHS Highland will receive £1.845m additional funding for reducing delayed hospital discharges in 2015/16 (of which £1.293m relates to North Highland and the remainder to Argyll & Bute). This is part of £100m allocated by the Scottish Government over the next three years. This will increase slightly in the following two financial years by a small incremental amount. NHS Highland is proposing to allocate the North Highland (Highland Council) funding in total to the overall Budget Quantum for Adult Care Services.

Secondly, there has been an announcement around an Integration Fund (formerly Change Fund). NHS Highland will receive £1.015m additional funding in 2015/16 (of which £0.885m relates to North Highland and the remainder to Argyll & Bute). Consideration of how this resource can be allocated will be considered, firstly by the Adult Services Commissioning Group with recommendations then to the Health and Social Care Committee within NHS Highland.

As indicated in a separate report to this meeting of the Committee, a review of governance arrangements relating to the Partnership Agreement is about to commence.