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Dear Cllr Chris Cunningham,

Many thanks for your letter regarding the Enhanced Mental Health Outcomes Framework.

In respect of your concerns about the funding of the framework, the overall £123.5 million funding was baselined and included in NHS Board core budgets as part of the 2025-26 budget settlement. There is no additional funding available for the delivery of the Framework and we are not proposing to review the decisions already taken or make any further adjustments.

As you know, the Outcomes Framework resource is intended to be used flexibly to meet local need, and the aim of baselining this funding into Boards' core budgets was to provide greater stability and sustainability to long term planning and use of the funding to help improve services and support for mental health.

To mitigate pressures, the 2026-27 Scottish budget supports record investment in health and social care including over £17.6 billion for Health Boards and over £2.3 billion for social care.

The Scottish Government's investment in mental health has supported workforce expansion and higher numbers of people receiving psychological therapies year on year, recognising the increased demand for such support.

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