Health and Wellbeing Board



Date of meeting:	24 January 2024
Title of Report:	Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment update
Lead Member:	Councillor Mary Aspinall (Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care)
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Your Reference:	PNA/H&WB/01
Key Decision:	No
Confidentiality:	Part I - Official

Purpose of Report

To update H&WB Members on the following-

- What is a Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) and what are the H&WB's responsibilities in that regard.
- Which pharmacies have closed or are planning to close.
- The requirement to issue supplementary statements to the PNA.
- The reasons for the proposal to 'go early' with the next version of the Plymouth PNA (hopefully linking with Devon and Torbay as usual) for publication in March 2025.
- The development of the NHS Devon ICB Pharmacy Strategy, the links to the PNA, and the opportunity for H&WB members to get involved (in the former).
- The links between (4) and (5) and the opportunities this presents.

Recommendations and Reasons

That the Plymouth H&WB-

- 1. Accept the proposal to 'go early' with the publication of the next Plymouth PNA (March 2025 as opposed to September 2025).
- 2. Support and engage in the development (in the coming months) of the NHS Devon ICB Pharmacy Strategy (which in turn will inform the 2025 version of the Plymouth PNA).

Alternative options considered and rejected

Not applicable

Relevance to the Corporate Plan and/or the Plymouth Plan

This work supports the Plymouth Plan Healthy City Strategic Outcome that 'People in Plymouth live in happy, healthy, safe and aspiring communities where social, economic and environmental conditions

and services enable choices that add quality years to life and reduce the gap in health and wellbeing between communities.

In particular Plymouth Plan Strategic Objective I (Delivering a Healthy City), points nine and 10.

9. Ensuring people get the right care from the right people at the right time to improve their health, wellbeing and social outcomes.

10. Making Plymouth a centre of clinical excellence and innovation to benefit the sustainability and growth of the medical and health care sectors in the city and to create education and employment opportunities.

Implications for the Medium Term Financial Plan and Resource Implications: None

Carbon Footprint (Environmental) Implications:

Not applicable

Other Implications: e.g. Health and Safety, Risk Management, Child Poverty:

* When considering these proposals members have a responsibility to ensure they give due regard to the Council's duty to promote equality of opportunity, eliminate unlawful discrimination and promote good relations between people who share protected characteristics under the Equalities Act and those who do not.

There are well-documented issues with primary care provision in the city and residents rely on their local pharmacies for the provision of essential medicines and associated services. In addition, pharmacies are often the first place people go with minor ailments, relieving pressure on GP Practices, Minor Injury and A&E services.

Appendices

Ref.	Title of Appendix	Exemption Paragraph Number (if applicable) If some/all of the information is confidential, you must indicate why it is not for publication by virtue of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 by ticking the relevant box.						
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A	Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment PowerPoint update (To-Follow)							

Sign off:

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Originating Senior Leadership Team member: Robert Nelder (Consultant. Public Health)											
Please confirm the Strategic Director(s) has agreed the report? Yes											
Date agreed: 10/01/2024											
Cabinet Member approval: Approved by Councillor Mary Aspinall (Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care) via email.											
Date approved: 12/01/2024											