



FOR PUBLICATION

DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

6 October 2022

Report of the Director of Public Health

**Derby and Derbyshire Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment
2022-2025 – FOR RATIFICATION FOLLOWING VIRTUAL APPROVAL**

1. Purpose

- 1.1 Members of the Health and Wellbeing Board are each asked to:
- a) Note that on 7 July 2022 the Board agreed that following statutory consultation a final version of the draft, updated, Derby and Derbyshire Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (“draft PNA”) will be shared with Board members and, if approved by a majority of Board members, will be published by 1 October 2022
 - b) Note the summary of the responses to the consultation at Appendix 1
 - c) Note the draft PNA at Appendix 2, prepared in response to the consultation
 - d) Indicate whether they each approve the draft PNA by using the voting buttons on the covering email or emailing director.publichealth@derbyshire.gov.uk by 16 September 2022.

2. Information and Analysis

- 2.1 Health and Wellbeing Boards must publish a revised pharmaceutical needs assessment every three years. Revised assessments were due to be published by April 2021 but due to the Covid 19 pandemic this has been extended and publication must now be by 1 October 2022.
- 2.2 Board members are referred to Appendix 3, the report presented to them at the 7 July 2022 meeting, for further information and legislation background.

2.2 Since 7 July 2022 the statutory consultation has been completed. The responses received are summarised in Appendix 1.

3. Alternative Options Considered

- 3.1 Not approve the publication of a PNA, which would have reputational implications for the Health and Wellbeing Board as it is a statutory obligation to publish a revised assessment and as such is not legally possible.
- 3.2 Approve the publication of a PNA other than the draft PNA, for which a special meeting of the Board would need to be convened.

4. Implications

- 4.1 Appendix 4 sets out the relevant implications considered in the preparation of the report.

5. Consultation

- 5.1 Consultation with stakeholders on the content of the PNA took place between 23 June and 22 August 2022, following which minor amendments have been made.

6. Background Papers

N/A

7. Appendices

- 7.1 Appendix 1 – Summary of consultation responses
- 7.2 Appendix 2 – Draft Derby and Derbyshire Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment 2022-2025
- 7.3 Appendix 3 - Previous report to Derbyshire Health and Wellbeing Board – 7 July 2022
- 7.4 Appendix 4 - Implications

8. Recommendation(s)

That members of the Health and Wellbeing Board:

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- d) Indicate whether they each approve the draft PNA by using the voting buttons on the covering email or emailing director.publichealth@derbyshire.gov.uk by 16 September 2022.

Reasons for Recommendation(s)

- 9.1 The Pharmaceutical needs assessment is a statutory document which the Health and Wellbeing Board has oversight of the development of and therefore needs to be engaged throughout the process.
- 9.2 It is a legal obligation to publish a revised assessment by 1st October 2022.

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Appendix 1: Summary of consultation responses

CONSULTATION

Consultation requirements

The NHS regulations set out that:

- HWBs must consult the bodies set out in Regulation 8 at least once during the process of developing the PNA. Any neighbouring HWBs who are consulted should ensure any LRC in the area which is different from the LRC for the original HWB's area is consulted
- There is a minimum period of 60 days for consultation responses, and
- Those being consulted can be directed to a website address containing the draft PNA but can, if they request, be sent an electronic or hard copy version.

Consultation activities

Formal consultation with stakeholders took place between 23 June and 22 August 2022. The consultation was hosted on <https://letstalk.derby.gov.uk/> along with the draft PNA. The consultation was also open to members of the public.

Consultation responses

- Response to the consultation was very limited, a total of five responses being received: one each from an NHS provider, a Derbyshire Pharmacist and a Derby City Pharmacy Contractor, as well as three from Derbyshire County Pharmacy Contractors.
- All agreed or strongly agreed that the purpose of the PNA was clearly explained.
- Three agreed or strongly agreed that the process for producing the PNA was clearly described, with the other two neither agreeing nor disagreeing.
- All agreed or strongly agreed that the locality profiles of the PNA effectively summarise the demographic characteristics, health need and pharmaceutical provision for each locality.
- Four of the five agreed that the PNA accurately reflects the current provision of pharmaceutical services in their area and clearly describes the services available in the Derby and Derbyshire areas. The fifth highlighted a typographical error which has been corrected.

- All felt that the PNA has provided information to inform market entry decisions i.e. decisions on applications for new pharmacies and dispensing appliance contractor premises.
- Two found no inaccuracies in the document, one said there were inaccuracies and two didn't know.
- Four agreed or strongly agreed with the conclusions of the PNA; one neither agreed nor disagreed.
- One respondent, who strongly agreed with the above statements, commented that gaps in service provision for diabetes risk assessment and health education and asthma control assessment have not been identified in the PNA.
- One respondent wished to draw attention to changes in the opening hours of a number of Boots pharmacies in the Derby City and Derbyshire County area, most of which came into effect on the 28th February and were notified to NHS England.

Public survey

Healthwatch Derby ran a social media survey on pharmacy services during May 2022.

- 41% of respondents used their pharmacy more than once a month
- 89% said their pharmacy met their needs to a fair or great amount
- 86% said they would be likely or very likely to recommend their pharmacy

When asked what additional services they would like to see, one respondent asked for UTI home testing kits, one respondent wanted to bring back a larger range of lower priced and own brand products, and one respondent stated that they were not aware of the full range of services available.

Comments from other sources

The inclusion of statistics for Deaf people was welcome and should be used more widely.

The limit of 28 days supply of medications was a problem for some people, especially those with difficulties with access.

Sometimes labels were put on medicines packaging covering up key instructions.

Problems with accessibility at a number of (unnamed) pharmacies were mentioned, which do not seem to have been challenged by the NHS.

The length of time taken for a prescription to get from GP to pharmacy and then be dispensed to the customer was flagged as an issue.

Some pharmacies seem unaware of the problems faced by visually impaired people.

ADDENDUM

Since this report was completed and sent for consultation one pharmacy in Derby has ceased to provide pharmaceutical services. As there are several other pharmacies in close proximity to this one it is believed that this closure will not constitute a significant issue. It will be reflected in any subsequent updates or supplementary statements.

Appendix 2 – Draft Derby and Derbyshire Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment 2022-2025

(see separate Pdf attachment)



PNA 2022 HWB
Draft.pdf

Appendix 3: Report to Derbyshire Health and Wellbeing Board 7 July 2022



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DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

7 July 2022

Report of the Director of Public Health

**Derby and Derbyshire Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA)
2022-2025**

9. Purpose

- 9.1 The Health and Wellbeing Board are asked to:
- e) Note the update of the 'Derby and Derbyshire Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment'.
 - f) Note that the Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) will identify the needs of the population and support the decision-making process for pharmacy applications, as well as informing the planning of services that can be delivered by community pharmacies.
 - g) Agree that following statutory consultation, a final version of the draft, updated PNA will be shared with Board members remotely and if approved by a majority of Board members, will be published by 1 October 2022.

10. Information and Analysis

2.1 Legislative Background

The Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment is covered by regulations issued by the Department of Health and Social Care, which set out the legislative basis for developing and updating PNAs.

Under the 2013 Regulations, a person who wishes to provide NHS pharmaceutical services must apply to NHS England to be included on a relevant list.

Each Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) must:

- assess the need for pharmaceutical services in its area
- publish a statement of its first assessment and of any revised assessment

The regulations contain the following requirements for PNAs

- It outlines the information that must be provided
- The extent to which the PNA must take account of likely future needs
- The date by which a Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) must publish their first PNA
- The circumstances in which a HWB must make a new PNA

In particular, the regulations determine:

- the pharmaceutical services to which a PNA must relate
- which specific persons and bodies must be consulted about specific matters when making an assessment
- the manner in which an assessment is made
- which matters a HWB must have regard to when making an assessment

HWBs must publish a revised assessment every three years. Revised PNAs were due to be produced by April 2021, however due to the Covid-19 pandemic, a delay was permitted until 1 October 2022.

2.2 Developing the Derby and Derbyshire PNA

The Derby and Derbyshire PNA will:

- identify the pharmaceutical needs of the local population
- support the decision-making process for pharmacy applications
- inform the planning of other services that can be delivered by community pharmacies to meet the health needs of the population

A task and finish group was established to direct the work programme to produce the PNA. The group is chaired by the Assistant Director of Public Health (Corporate) from Derby City Council and has representation from:

- Derbyshire Local Pharmaceutical Committee
- NHS England (Midlands)
- NHS Derby and Derbyshire CCG (from 1 July 2022 NHS Derby and Derbyshire Integrated Care Board).
- Public Health, Derbyshire County Council

The work programme consists of four stages:

1. Collation of current and future health needs of the population and pharmacy data
2. Compilation of up-to-date pharmacy locations and services provided
3. Formal consultation with wider stakeholders
4. Production of the final report

The regulations stipulate that Health and Wellbeing Boards must consult formally for a minimum period of 60 days on a draft of their PNA before being finalised.

2.3 Update on Progress

Stages 1 and 2 above have now been completed and the formal consultation with stakeholders is taking place between 23 June and 22 August 2022.

The consultation is hosted on [Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment Consultation | Let's Talk Derby](#) along with the draft PNA.

The final PNA must be published by 1 October 2022. As the next HWB meeting is after this date, the final version will be sent virtually to all Board members in September 2022, and they will be asked to confirm if they agree to its publication.

11. Alternative Options Considered

- 3.1 Not agree a way to approve the development of a revised PNA by 1 October 2022, which would have reputational and legal implications for the Health and Wellbeing Board as it is a statutory document.

12. Implications

- 4.1 Appendix 1 sets out the relevant implications considered in the preparation of the report.

13. Consultation

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14. Background Papers

<https://observatory.derbyshire.gov.uk/pna/>

15. Appendices

7.1 Appendix 1 - Implications

16. Recommendation(s)

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17. Reasons for Recommendation(s)

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Implications

Financial

1.1 Not applicable

Legal

2.1 Failure to produce a robust PNA could lead to legal challenges because of the PNA's relevance to decisions about commissioning services and new pharmacy openings, particularly in light of the pharmacy contract changes

Human Resources

3.1 Not applicable

Implications

Financial

1.1 Not applicable

Legal

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Human Resources

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