

REPORT TO THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

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BARNSELY PHARMACEUTICAL NEEDS ASSESSMENT

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1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is to present the final draft Barnsley Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) for approval and publication by 1st April 2018. The final draft can be accessed at www.barnsley.gov.uk/pna.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 **Health and Wellbeing Board members are asked to:-**

- **Approve the publication of the Barnsley PNA 2018-2020**

3. Introduction/ Background

- 3.1 The Health and Social Care Act 2012 established Health and Wellbeing Boards (HWB). The Act also transferred responsibility to develop and update Pharmaceutical Needs Assessments (PNA) from Primary Care Trusts (PCTs) to HWBs. Barnsley HWB has a statutory duty publish a new PNA for 2018-2021 by 1 April 2018.
- 3.2 The PNA is a legal document which details services which would be desirable and necessary in a locality based on the local health needs and population demographics.
- 3.3 PNAs will inform commissioning decisions by local authorities (public health services from community pharmacies) and Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs). NHS England area teams will also use the PNA to inform whether a pharmacy application would be desirable for a particular location.
- 3.4 Following the production of the draft report by the Barnsley PNA Steering Group local partners and residents have been invited to comment on the document during the 60 day statutory consultation period. A final draft was discussed and agreed at the Barnsley PNA Steering Group on 3rd January 2018 and the Senior Strategic Development Group on 15th January 2018.

4. Summary of the Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment

- 4.1 The PNA looks at the current provision of pharmaceutical services across Barnsley's HWB footprint and whether this meets the needs of the population and identifies any potential gaps to service delivery. The PNA will be used by NHS England in its determination as to whether to approve applications to join the pharmaceutical list under The National Health Service (Pharmaceutical and Local Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 2013ⁱ.
- 4.2 The PNA is required to be published by each HWB by virtue of section 128A of the 2006 Act updated in 2009.ⁱⁱ
- 4.3 The conclusion of this PNA is that the population of Barnsley has sufficient service provision to meet their pharmaceutical needs. This is clearly demonstrated by the following points:
- Community pharmacies have an important role to play in improving the health of the Barnsley population. They can contribute to the identified health needs of the population in a number of ways, including motivational interviewing, providing information and brief advice, providing on-going support for behaviour change and signposting to other services.
 - Barnsley has good coverage across the borough for pharmaceutical services in terms of choice, access and opening hours, with no gaps in current provision.
 - Barnsley and each of the six Area Councils have slightly better or similar coverage of community pharmacies or dispensing GP practices than the England and Yorkshire and the Humber averages.
 - The majority of Barnsley residents live within a 1 mile radius or a 10 minute drive of a pharmacy.
 - An increase in population is likely to generate increased demand for pharmaceutical services, but on a local level changes in population size may not necessarily be directly proportionate to changes in the number of pharmaceutical services providers. The Health and Wellbeing Board will need to monitor the development of major housing sites and produce supplementary statements to the PNA if deemed necessary, in accordance with regulations.

5. Conclusion/ Next Steps

- 5.1 The Barnsley PNA report should be the basis for all future pharmacy commissioning intentions. Members of the Health and Wellbeing board will be consulted on the scope for future reports.

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ⁱ The National Health Service (Pharmaceutical and Local Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 2013. Accessed 12.01.15 <http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2013/349/contents/made>

ⁱⁱ <http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2009/21/section/25>