

WIRRAL HEALTH & WELLBEING BOARD

Meeting Date	12 November 2014	Agenda Item	
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Report Title	Wirral's Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA): Update on progress and timescales
Responsible Board Member	Fiona Johnstone

Link To HWB Function	Board development					
	JSNA/JHWS				X	
	Health and social care integrated commissioning or provision				X	
Equality Impact Assessment Required & Attached	Yes		No		N/A	x
Purpose	For approval		To note	X	To assure	

Summary of Paper	This paper summarises the progress to date towards the publication of Wirral's Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) and proposes a timescale for the statutory consultation period.		
Financial Implications	Total financial implication	New investment required	Source of investment (e.g. name of budget)
	£ None	£	£
Risks and Preventive Measures	n/a		
Details of Any Public/Patient/ Service User Engagement	An electronic survey was sent out to the Wirral Borough Council email database of approximately 50,000 residents. Survey details were also published in the Wirral Globe as part of a press release and on the council website. A total of 1,192 responses were received.		
Recommendations/ Next Steps	The Board is asked to note the progress to date and approve the proposed timescales.		

Report History		
Submitted to:	Date:	Summary of outcome:

Publish On Website	Yes	X	Private Business	Yes	
	No			No	x

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Wirral's Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment: Update on progress and timescales

Background

- Pharmaceutical Needs Assessments (PNAs) are carried out to assess the pharmacy needs of the local population. The PNA presents an overview of local pharmaceutical service provision; reviewing access, range and adequacy of service provision and choice of provider to build on the sectors capacity and capability to help address health inequalities and support self-care in areas of greatest need.
- NHS England will rely on the PNA when making decisions on applications to open new pharmacies. Each Health and Wellbeing Board must publish its first pharmaceutical needs assessment by 1st April 2015. Wirral's current PNA can be accessed at www.info.wirral.nhs.uk/pna

Progress update

- A draft PNA has been developed under the direction of Wirral's PNA Development Group (including members from Public Health, Local Pharmaceutical Committee and NHS England). This group has reported directly to Wirral's JSNA Executive Group.
- Information sources for the PNA have included Wirral's JSNA, NHS England, Census data, Health & Social Care Information Centre (HSCIC), service user and community pharmacy questionnaires.
- A total of 1,192 responses have been received from the public survey. From Wirral's 94 community pharmacies, 89 have responded to the pharmacy survey.

Next steps & timescales

- The Board is obliged to ensure a minimum 60 day pre-publication consultation period. Groups to be consulted will include community and hospital providers, local pharmacies, Clinical Commissioning Group, Local Medical Committee, Local Pharmaceutical Committee, local Healthwatch, NHS Trusts and Foundation Trusts, other professional bodies, voluntary and community groups, patients and the public.
- It is proposed that the consultation for Wirral's PNA commences on the 3rd November 2014 through to 12th January 2015. Following this period, the revised PNA will be brought back to the Health and Wellbeing Board in March 2015 for final sign off prior to publication by 1st April 2015.

Recommendations

- The Board is asked to note the progress to date and to approve the proposed timescales for consultation.

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