

REPORT TITLE	Wirral Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) 2018 - 2021 Statutory Consultation
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REPORT SUMMARY

Wirral's Health & Wellbeing Board is undertaking a Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA), a legal, comprehensive, assessment of the current and future needs of local people for community pharmacy services.

In January 2017, the People Overview & Scrutiny Committee considered impacts to Community Pharmacies in light of funding changes proposed by Government for community pharmacies in 2016/17. At that time members were made aware of the impending statutory PNA review and the request for them to comment and submit views on the process for developing the PNA for 2018-21. As part of that process a public consultation is required to be held for a period of at least 60 days.

This consultation closes on Monday 5th February and the members are asked to consider the draft PNA 2018-2021 and to submit any views as part of that statutory process

RECOMMENDATION/S

1. Members are requested to note the report
2. Where they feel appropriate to submit views within the statutory consultation period

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1.0 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

The People Overview & Scrutiny Committee considered and produced a Community Pharmacies Scrutiny Review (January 2017) in light of funding changes proposed by Government for community pharmacy in 2016/17. At that time members were made aware of the impending statutory PNA review and to be invited to reflect upon the draft PNA for 2018-2021 and submit views in to the process

2.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

Not Applicable

3.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

From April 2013, local Health & Wellbeing Boards became responsible for the publication and update of the local Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA), which provides a detailed review of existing pharmacy provision, including current service provision and opening hours as well as an assessment of population needs including areas of deprivation

Updated every three years, [Wirral's current PNA](#) was produced in 2015 and concluded that the borough is well served in terms of spread of community pharmacies. There was one pharmacy for every 3,402 residents, which compared favourably to the national average of one pharmacy for every 5,000 residents.

Next Generation Wirral Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) 2018 - 2021 and its Statutory Consultation period

Wirral's Health & Wellbeing Board is undertaking a new Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA), which is a legal, comprehensive, assessment of the current and future needs of local people for community pharmacy services.

The PNA is used primarily by NHS England to inform their local commissioning decisions with regard to community pharmacy services. It also informs local authorities and Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) for planning purposes.

There is a legal requirement for the Wirral Health and Wellbeing Board to publish an updated PNA before the 31st March 2018.

Members, as are all Wirral residents and interested parties, are invited to review and reflect upon Draft PNA for 2018 – 2021 via this link (large document)
<https://www.wirralintelligenceservice.org/media/2293/wirral-pna-draft-2018-to-2021-december-2017-final-draft.pdf>

Following the review of the draft PNA there is a link to complete the survey at
<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/wirralpna20182021>

4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable for Wirral Council though NHS England will use the PNA as the basis for future commissioning decisions in relation to community pharmacy services.

5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

There is a statutory requirement for the local Health & Wellbeing Board to produce a PNA, currently every three years.

6.0 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: ICT, STAFFING AND ASSETS

There are no additional resources to complete PNAs; work to produce this work has been undertaken by the Council's Public Health team in collaboration with Cheshire and Merseyside Councils to ensure consistency in approach and production.

7.0 RELEVANT RISKS

The new PNA will be delivered within the required timeframe (before 31st March 2018) following a period of post-consultation review and any appropriate changes to the final version presented at Health & Wellbeing Board on 14th March 2018

8.0 ENGAGEMENT/CONSULTATION

As part of the production of the new PNA, there is a statutory requirement to consult for a minimum period of 60 days with a wide group of consultees including some mandated consultee groups. This consultation began on Tuesday 5th December 2017 and closes on Monday 5th February 2018 (63 days in total). The consultation has been carried out across a range of routes to reach residents and interested parties through established methods such as Wirral View and contact lists plus via key networks and partners.

From Tuesday 5th December a hard copy of the draft PNA, and paper versions of the survey, have been available at four venues across the borough (one in each constituency):

9.0 EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

There are no equality issues arising directly from this report

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APPENDICES

Community Pharmacy Scrutiny Review –January 2017

<https://www.wirralintelligenceservice.org/media/2308/community-pharmacy-scrutiny-review-jan-2017.pdf>

Draft PNA 2018 – 2021

<https://www.wirralintelligenceservice.org/media/2293/wirral-pna-draft-2018-to-2021-december-2017-final-draft.pdf>

Online survey link to comment of draft PNA 2018 – 2021

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/wirralpna20182021>

REFERENCE MATERIAL

SUBJECT HISTORY (last 3 years)

Council Meeting	Date