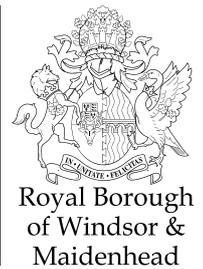


Subject:	Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment, 2018 to 2021
Reason for briefing note:	To present The Royal Borough of Windsor & Maidenhead, Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment, 2018 to 2021 for Board approval.
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SUMMARY

The Royal Borough of Windsor & Maidenhead's Health & Wellbeing Board published the last Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment in March 2015 and is required to undertake a revised assessment by 31st March 2018. Public Health Services for Berkshire has led the development of the latest PNAs across the six Berkshire Local Authorities, as agreed with all the relevant Health & Wellbeing Boards. The Health & Wellbeing Board is asked to formally approve the Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment for 2018 to 2021 for publication on the Royal Borough's website.

1 BACKGROUND.

- 1.1 A Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) is the statement of the needs for pharmaceutical services of the population in a specific area. It sets out a statement of the pharmaceutical services which are currently provided, together with when and where these are available to a given population. The PNA also considers whether there are any gaps in the delivery of pharmaceutical services and is used by NHS England to make decisions on which NHS-funded services should be provided by local community pharmacies. The PNA can also be used to inform commissioners, such as local authorities and Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs), who may wish to procure additional services from pharmacies to meet local health priorities.
- 1.2 The Royal Borough of Windsor & Maidenhead's Health & Wellbeing Board published the last PNA in March 2015 and is required to undertake a revised assessment by 31st March 2018.

2. DETAILS

- 2.1 The process for the development of the PNA was agreed with the Health & Wellbeing Board. A small task and finish group was set up to oversee the development of the PNA. The membership included the Strategic Director of Public Health for Berkshire, the Consultant in Public Health (Public Health Services for Berkshire), an NHS England pharmaceutical commissioner, a representative from the Local Pharmaceutical Committee (LPC) and the Public Health Intelligence Manager (Public Health Services for Berkshire).
- 2.2 The development of the PNA involved several key stages:
 - On-line survey of community pharmacies to map current service provision during June and July 2017.

- On-line survey of public to ascertain views on services from June to August 2017.
- Development of the draft PNA Report.
- Formal 60 day public consultation on the draft PNA Report during November and December 2017.
- Final PNA Report (see attached report and appendices)

Current provision – findings

- 2.3 Key findings from the PNA show that there is good provision of pharmaceutical services in the borough with 29 pharmacies and one distance selling pharmacy. There are no dispensing doctors within the borough. There are also 30 pharmacies outside the borough, but within 1.6km of borders, and these were also considered in the assessment.
- 2.4 Generally, community pharmacies in Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead are well distributed, accessible and offer a convenient service to patients and members of the public. They are available on weekdays with adequate weekend and evening opening hours across the majority of the borough.
- 2.4 The public survey showed that across Berkshire, 95% of respondents were able to get to the pharmacy of their choice, 86% took less than 15 minutes to travel to their regular pharmacy and the remaining 14% stated that it took between 15 and 30 minutes. Overall, 91% were satisfied or very satisfied with the location of their pharmacy.
- 2.5 There is variable, but adequate, provision of advanced pharmaceutical services for residents, with a number of pharmacies also providing locally commissioned services (LCS) for emergency hormonal contraception, needle exchange and supervised consumption.
- 2.6 Based on the information within the PNA, no current gaps in essential services have been identified and there are no known future developments that are likely to significantly alter demand for pharmaceutical services within the life of this PNA.

Future opportunities

- 2.7 The findings of the PNA indicate that there is opportunity to improve the provision of essential services during evenings and on Sundays in the borough.
- 2.8 As part of the essential pharmacy offer, pharmacies are required to deliver up to six public health campaigns a year to promote healthy lifestyles. These are selected by NHS England. There is scope to gain more impact from national public health campaigns by ensuring that these are delivered in a coordinated way through community pharmacies.
- 2.9 The Public Health Team is committed to working with other local stakeholders and pharmacy providers to identify how Healthy Living Pharmacies can best support health and wellbeing priorities, within the lifespan of this PNA.

3 RISKS

- 3.1 No risks are currently identified, however if local pharmaceutical services change during the life span of the PNA, such as the opening hours, address of premises or needs of the local population, the Royal Borough will need to publish supplementary statements.

4 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 4.1 That the Health & Wellbeing Board approve the Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment for 2018 to 2021 for publication on the Royal Borough's website.