

## HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### Report

<b>Committee:</b>	Health and Wellbeing Board
<b>Date:</b>	27 June 2019
<b>Title:</b>	Health and Wellbeing Board representations to pharmacy consolidation applications, 2017 to June 2019
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### Purpose of this Report

1. The purpose of this report is for information only and presents the consolidation applications Hampshire Health and Wellbeing Board have responded to since the publication of the latest Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment.

### Recommendation

2. That the Health and Wellbeing Board note the findings from the document.

### Executive Summary

3. This report seeks to:
  - set out the background to the consolidation process and the duties of the Health and Wellbeing Board
  - detail the consolidation applications for the period of 2017 – June 2019 for which the Health and Wellbeing Board have been asked to make representations.

### Contextual information

4. The National Health Service (Pharmaceutical and Local Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 2013 state that Health and Wellbeing Boards (HWBBs)

are required to produce an assessment of needs for pharmaceutical services in their area at least every three years.

5. The Hampshire Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) looks at the current provision of pharmaceutical services across the districts and how well needs for pharmaceutical services are being met. The latest report which was signed off by the Board on 15 March 2018 can be found at:  
<http://documents.hants.gov.uk/public-health/HampshirePharmaceuticalNeedsAssessmentFinal2018.pdf>
6. The PNA is used as a starting point for anyone who is thinking of making an application for a new pharmacy. NHS England (NHSE) is required to use it to consider applications to open a new pharmacy, move an existing pharmacy or to commission additional services from a pharmacy. In order to open a community pharmacy, a contract must be granted by NHSE.
7. Since 5 December 2016, the Health and Wellbeing Board has a statutory duty to make a representation to NHSE on consolidation applications of community pharmacies in its area (i.e. where pharmacy businesses on two or more sites propose to consolidate to a single existing site). The Health and Wellbeing Board must respond within 45 days. NHS England collate all responses from interested parties and then makes the final decision on the consolidation application.
8. This briefing presents the consolidation applications Hampshire Health and Wellbeing board have responded to since the publication of the latest PNA. It is worth noting that opening and closure of pharmacies is not a responsibility of the Board.
9. Appendix 1 sets out the consolidation applications that have been received and to which a response has been made.

### **Consultation and Equalities**

10. Any equality issues are considered as part of the individual consolidation applications.

### **Conclusions**

11. The Board are asked to note the four consolidation applications in Appendix 1.

## REQUIRED CORPORATE AND LEGAL INFORMATION:

### Links to the Strategic Plan

Hampshire maintains strong and sustainable economic growth and prosperity:	no
People in Hampshire live safe, healthy and independent lives:	yes
People in Hampshire enjoy a rich and diverse environment:	no
People in Hampshire enjoy being part of strong, inclusive communities:	yes

### Other Significant Links

Links to previous Member decisions:	
<u>Title</u> <a href="http://documents.hants.gov.uk/public-health/HampshirePharmaceuticalNeedsAssessmentFinal2018.pdf">http://documents.hants.gov.uk/public-health/HampshirePharmaceuticalNeedsAssessmentFinal2018.pdf</a>	<u>Date</u> 15 March 2018
Direct links to specific legislation or Government Directives	
<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>

### Section 100 D - Local Government Act 1972 - background documents

The following documents discuss facts or matters on which this report, or an important part of it, is based and have been relied upon to a material extent in the preparation of this report. (NB: the list excludes published works and any documents which disclose exempt or confidential information as defined in the Act.)

<u>Document</u>	<u>Location</u>
None	

## **EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT:**

### **1. Equality Duty**

The County Council has a duty under Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 ('the Act') to have due regard in the exercise of its functions to the need to:

- Eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation and any other conduct prohibited by or under the Act with regard to the protected characteristics as set out in section 4 of the Act (age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation);
- Advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic within section 149(7) of the Act (age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation) and those who do not share it;
- Foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic within section 149(7) of the Act (see above) and persons who do not share it.

Due regard in this context involves having due regard in particular to:

- The need to remove or minimise disadvantages suffered by persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic that are connected to that characteristic;
- Take steps to meet the needs of persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic that are different from the needs of persons who do not share it;
- Encourage persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic to participate in public life or in any other activity in which participation by such persons is disproportionately low.

### **2. Equalities Impact Assessment:**

Any equality issues are considered as part of the individual consolidation applications.

## Appendix 1

### **2017 Applications:**

#### **Continuing site**

##### **L Rowlands & Co LTD T/A Rowlands Pharmacy**

1 Middle Park Way, Leigh Park, Havant, Hampshire PO9 4AB.

#### **Closing site**

##### **L Rowlands & Co LTD T/A Rowlands Pharmacy**

2 Strouden Court Precinct, Warren Park, Havant, Hampshire, PO9 4JX

#### **HWB representation made to NHS England (November 2017)**

The Hampshire Health and Wellbeing Board considered the consolidation application and believed the removal does not create a gap in pharmaceutical services provision as published in the Hampshire Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment 2017 which was out to consultation at the time.

#### **Outcome**

Following appeal final decision is yet to be made

### **2018 Applications:**

#### **Continuing site**

##### **Wessex Pharmacies Ltd**

The Corner House, Broad Street, Alresford, Hampshire. SO24 9AR

#### **Closing site**

##### **Pillbox Chemists Limited.**

1 East Street, Alresford, Hampshire. SO24 9EE

#### **HWB representation made to NHS England (June 2018)**

The Hampshire Health and Wellbeing board considered the consolidation application and believed the removal does not create a gap in pharmaceutical services provision as published in the Hampshire Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment 2018.

#### **Outcome**

Consolidation application accepted

## **2019 Applications:**

### **Continuing site**

#### **Lloyds Pharmacies Ltd**

2 Commercial Road, ASDA Precinct, Totton, Hampshire. SO40 3BY

### **Closing site**

#### **Lloyds Pharmacies Ltd**

13a Commercial Road, Totton, Hampshire. SO40 3BX

### **HWB representation made to NHS England (May 2019)**

The Hampshire Health and Wellbeing Board considered the consolidation application and believed the removal does not create a gap in pharmaceutical services provision as published in the Hampshire Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment 2018.

### **Outcome**

Awaiting decision

### **Continuing site**

#### **Pillbox Chemists Ltd (t/a Oakley Pharmacy).**

22c Oakley Lane, Oakley, Basingstoke. RG23 7YJ

### **Closing site**

#### **Pillbox Chemists Ltd (t/a Bucksin Pharmacy).**

Units 1-3 Bucksin Centre, Bucksin, Basingstoke, RG22 5BW

### **HWB representation made to NHS England (June 2019)**

The Hampshire Health and Wellbeing Board has considered the consolidation application and believes the removal does create a gap in pharmaceutical services provision. Accessibility could be an issue for some more vulnerable lower income population groups resulting in them travelling further which would be difficult without use of a car. A small but high need client group who access opiate substitute therapy at this pharmacy would have to travel to either the continuing site or the three pharmacies located nearby, the closest of which is approximately 1.1 miles or 21 minute walk away.

### **Outcome**

Awaiting decision