

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

13th September 2022

Title:	Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment
Report of the Director of Public Health	
Open Report	For Decision
Wards Affected: all	Key Decision: Yes
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Summary: Section 128A of the National Health Service Act 2006 (NHS Act 2006) requires each Health and Wellbeing Board to assess the need for pharmaceutical services in its area and to publish a statement of its assessment, called a pharmaceutical needs assessment (PNA). The NHS (Pharmaceutical Services and Local Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 2013, as amended (the 2013 regulations) set out the minimum information that must be contained within a pharmaceutical needs assessment and outline the process that must be followed in its development. The purpose of the PNA is to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Inform local plans for the commissioning of specific and specialised pharmaceutical services• Support the decision-making process for applications for new pharmacies or changes of pharmacy premises undertaken by NHS England The PNA assesses whether the current provision of pharmacies and the commissioned services they provide meet the needs of the LBBB residents and whether there are any gaps between 1st October 2022 to 30th September 2025. The process included a 60-day consultation with key stakeholders and the community.	

<p>Findings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LBBBD is well served in relation to the number and location of pharmacies, with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 39 community pharmacies • one dispensing appliance contractor • There are a further seven community pharmacies within a mile of LBBBDs border. • There is good access to essential, advanced, enhanced and other NHS pharmaceutical services for the residents of LBBBD with no gaps in the current and future provision of these services identified • Additionally, no services were identified that would secure improvements or better access to pharmaceutical services if provided, either now or in the future
<p>Recommendation(s)</p> <p>The Health and Wellbeing Board is recommended to agree the publication of the Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment for Barking and Dagenham.</p>
<p>Reason(s)</p> <p>The Health and Wellbeing Board has a statutory responsibility to publish and keep up to date a statement of needs for pharmaceutical services for their population – a Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) (NHS Pharmaceutical regulations 2013).</p>

1. Introduction and Background

The PNA is a statutory document required to be produced by every local authority's Health and Wellbeing Board every three years. The PNA assesses the pharmacy needs of the local population and informs the strategic development and commissioning of community pharmacy services to help meet the needs of the local individual population.

2. Proposal and Issues

The Health and Wellbeing Board is recommended to agree the publication of the Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment for Barking and Dagenham.

3 Consultation

A 60-day consultation with key stakeholders and the community was undertaken.

4 Mandatory Implications

This PNA will support and align with other strategic documents, such as the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

4.1 Financial Implications

Implications completed by Isaac Mogaji – Finance Business Partner:

This report is largely for information and seeks the Health and Wellbeing Board to agree the publication of the Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment for Barking and Dagenham. As such, there is no obvious financial implications of the report.

The cost implications of any contract award to produce the publication would need to be addressed under a separate procurement report.

4.2 Legal Implications

Implications completed by- Dr. Paul Feild Principal Governance Lawyer:

As set out in the main body of the report maintaining a local pharmaceutical plan is a duty placed on the HWB by the NHS (Pharmaceutical and Local Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 2013.

NHS community pharmaceutical services in England are provided through the National Health Service Commissioning Board and the local plans outlining the needs and availability of NHS community pharmaceutical services in an area, which are known as Pharmaceutical Needs Assessments are developed, maintained and updated by local authority Health and Wellbeing Boards. Consideration of this report is a necessary function of the HWB's statutory responsibilities.

Public Background Papers Used in the Preparation of the Report:

None.

List of Appendices:

Appendix A - Barking and Dagenham 2022-2025.pdf

Appendix B - LBBD PNA HWB Update.pptx