

Decision Record – Public Health – Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) Update - Consultation

Cabinet Portfolio Holder taking the decision	Councillor Les Caborn Adult Social Care and Health
Date of Decision (not before: 17 November 2017)	17/11/2017

Decision Taken

That the Portfolio Holder for Adult Social Care and Health approves the consultation required to inform the development of Warwickshire's 2018 Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA).

Reasons for Decisions

The approval of the Portfolio Holder is required for consultation exercises to be undertaken.

Background Information

The Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) is an assessment of the pharmaceutical services that are currently provided in Warwickshire including dispensing of prescriptions by community pharmacies, dispensing GPs and other providers, as well as other services available from community pharmacies. The Health and Social Care Act 2012 transferred responsibility for the development and updating of the PNA from Primary Care Trusts to HWBs.

The NHS regulations of April 2013 state that each HWB must have produced their first PNA no later than 1st April 2015. After publication, each HWB must publish a statement of its revised assessment within 3 years of its previous. Therefore, the second PNA should be published no later than 24th March 2018.

The content of PNAs is set out in Schedule 1 to the NHS (Pharmaceutical and Local Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 2013. The PNA process contains a requirement to consult on the draft PNA and concludes with board level sign off.

In September the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) approved recommendations to receive an update of the PNA and draft report in January 2018 for discussions, comments and amendments during the consultation period. The HWB have also approved the sign off of the final report by the end of March 2018 by a subcommittee to meet statutory timescales and deadlines.

We are seeking permission to consult on the draft PNA with partners, key stakeholders and the public. The draft PNA will be based on the results of the public and pharmacy surveys, a local data collection exercise and discussions with key stakeholders through the PNA steering group. The steering group includes representation from both Coventry and Warwickshire Councils Healthwatch, the Local Pharmaceutical Committee and Local Medical Committee.

To maximise the resources available and align with local planning footprints, Warwickshire and Coventry are working together to produce their 2018 PNA's. The draft PNA is currently scheduled for consultation between 28th November and 12th February 2018.

Financial Implications

Costs relating to the consultation will be met within current Public Health budgets.

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Checklist

Urgent matter?	No
Confidential or Exempt? (State the category of exempt information)	No
Is the decision contrary to the budget and policy framework?	No

List of Reports considered - please include link to the report
Link to published proposed decision report: https://democratic.warwickshire.gov.uk/cm5/CalendarofMeetings/tabid/128/ctl/ViewMeetingPublic/mid/645/Meeting/4088/Committee/589/Default.aspx

List of Background Papers - please include a contact for access to background papers
None

Members and officers consulted or informed – please include any comments
Portfolio Holder – Councillor Les Caborn Corporate Board Legal – Alison Hallworth, Jane Pollard Finance – Chris Norton Equality – Polly Sharma Democratic Services – Paul Williams Councillors Redford, Morgan, Rolfe, Golby, Parsons, Caborn