Health and Wellbeing Board

7 September 2022

Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment

Recommendation(s)

That Health and Wellbeing Board

- 1. notes and comments upon the contents of the Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA).
- 2. notes and comments upon the updates from the formal consultation to be given verbally at the meeting on 7th September 2022.
- 3. approves the publication of the PNA subject to any changes mentioned in the formal consultation verbal update.

1. Executive Summary

Purpose

- 1.1 This report notifies the Health and Wellbeing Board of the development of the Coventry and Warwickshire Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA), 2022 2025.
- 1.2 The purpose of the PNA is to assess local needs and identify gaps for pharmaceutical provision across Coventry and Warwickshire. It is a tool to enable Health and Wellbeing Boards (HWBs) to identify the current and future commissioning of services required from pharmaceutical service providers.
- 1.3 Coventry City Council and Warwickshire County Council HWBs approached the development of the 2022 PNA as a collaborative project, with one report being produced for both areas, as agreed at the Warwickshire Health and Wellbeing Board on Wednesday 6th January 2021. This replaces the 2018 PNA for both Coventry and Warwickshire.
- 1.4 The PNA is undergoing Formal Consultation from Thursday 23rd June 2022 until Monday 29th August 2022, with a statutory obligation for publication on 1st October 2022.
- 1.5 A verbal update on the outcomes of the Formal Consultation will be given at the Warwickshire Health and Wellbeing Board on 7th September 2022.

Background

- 1.6 The development of the PNA has been overseen by one multi-disciplinary steering group which includes representations from organisations across both Coventry and Warwickshire areas.
- 1.7 The process has been split into 4 stages:
 - Stage 1 A project management approach was used to develop the PNA and so a steering group was established which met regularly during the development of the PNA.
 - Stage 2 A pharmacy survey and a public survey were developed. The content was approved by the steering group and was undertaken in Feb/March 2022. Following the closure of the surveys the responses were analysed.
 - Stage 3 A summary of current provisions and gaps in provision of pharmaceutical services was identified and fed into the draft report. The content was approved by the steering group.
 - **Stage 4** As required by legislation, a 60-day consultation is necessary during the process of producing this document.
- 1.8 The document includes the local picture for Coventry and Warwickshire, general health needs, pharmacy provisions and access, and information on pharmacy services. It offers conclusions and recommendations on pharmacy provision and includes the responses from the general public and community pharmacy survey as appendices.

Minimum Requirements

1.9 A statement of the following must be included in a PNA as a minimum, as set out in schedule 1 of the NHS 2013 regulations:

Requirement	How the requirement is met	
Necessary Services	The PNA provides an understanding of essential services which are required to be provided by all pharmacies. Access to pharmacies is examined to help determine the current provision of necessary services.	
Relevant Services	The PNA includes a section on each advanced service, including consideration into the distribution of providers and uptake of the service. Service recommendations have been made where appropriate.	
Other NHS Services	In addition to the section on advanced services, the PNA includes a section on each Enhanced and Locally Commissioned Service, including consideration into the distribution of providers and uptake of the service. Service recommendations have	

	been made where appropriate.	
Map of pharmaceutical services	 Maps have been provided for: Pharmacies within the Health and Wellbeing Board area. These maps have been further broken down into the PNA defined localities. Pharmacies against travel time. Maps for travel by car, public transport, and bicycle have been produced. Pharmacies that are open on a Saturday between 9am – 1pm, identified as the most popular time to visit pharmacies by our public survey. Maps for services where an understanding of location is necessary for the analysis. 	
Explanation of assessment	The PNA contains an introduction chapter which explains the background and requirements, and a chapter on the approach to the PNA which goes through the production process.	

1.10 Where necessary, there will be supplementary information added throughout the PNA's lifespan of 3 years. This will ensure it keeps the document relevant, useful, and fit for purpose.

2. Financial Implications

2.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from this report. Once the PNA is published there will be financial implications for partners for the delivery of services against the assessed need. In relation to Warwickshire County Council commissioned services, any additional costs identified would have to be discussed with the appropriate commissioner and if agreed found within existing resources. If there are any changes to this position as a result of the consultation this will be reported as part of the verbal update at the meeting.

3. Environmental Implications

3.1 None.

Appendices

1. Appendix 1 – Coventry and Warwickshire Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment

2. Appendix 2 – Executive Summary for Warwickshire

Background Papers

1. No background papers

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