Council 10th November 2016 Community Pharmacies Lead Member - Cllr. Eleanor Jackson Labour Group to move:

Council notes:

- That there are 38 community pharmacies in B&NES and these are evenly situated across the local authority area.
- The valuable role local pharmacies play in our communities in providing local people with a vital service to seek medical advice and reducing waiting times at local GPs.

Council further notes:

- That NHS England has a huge challenge in tackling its deficit.
- That the Government previously planned to cut £170 million of funding from community pharmacies.

This council believes:

- That residents should have easy access to local pharmacies
- That further investigation is required to assess the adequacy of existing services and the impact of any proposed cuts to pharmacy services when demand is on the rise.

Therefore council resolves:

• To request the Health and Wellbeing Select Committee investigates this matter further.