

Bath & North East Somerset Council	
MEETING:	Health and Wellbeing Board
MEETING DATE:	27 September 2022
TITLE:	Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment
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1 THE ISSUE

1.1 Health and Wellbeing Board's (HWB) have a legislative duty to develop and update Pharmaceutical Needs Assessments (PNAs), as set out in the Health and Social Care Act 2012 and the National Health Service (Pharmaceutical Services and Local Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 2013. In summary the HWB must:

- produce its first PNA which complies with the regulatory requirements;
- publish its first PNA by 1 April 2015;
- publish subsequent PNAs on a three yearly basis;

1.2 The current PNA was originally due to be renewed in April 2021. However, the Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) announced that due to ongoing COVID-19 pressures across all sectors, the requirement to publish renewed PNA was suspended until October 2022.

The existing B&NES PNA (2018 to 2021) has been refreshed and is presented for approval by the Health and Wellbeing Board.

2 RECOMMENDATION

The Cabinet / Council / Panel / Committee is asked to;

2.1 Note the findings of the Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment, in particular the key finding at the end of the Executive Summary.

2.2 Approve the report for publication.

3 THE REPORT

3.1 The Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment 2022 to 2025 is attached with this cover report.

4 STATUTORY CONSIDERATIONS

4.1 The statutory duties on the Health and Wellbeing Board are set out in section 1 at the start of this cover report.

5 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCE, PROPERTY, PEOPLE)

5.1 The direct resource implications of this work have been through the time and capacity involved from the PNA steering group members.

6 RISK MANAGEMENT

6.1 A risk assessment related to the issue and recommendations has been undertaken, in compliance with the Council's decision making risk management guidance.

7 EQUALITIES

7.1 Equality issues in current service provision and inequalities in population health are set out in the report. A formal Equality Impact Assessment has not been carried out as there is no recommended change in service provision.

8 CLIMATE CHANGE

8.1 The pharmaceutical needs assessment is a key document for those wishing to open new pharmacy or dispensing appliance contractor premises and is used by NHS England to determine such applications. There are no changes recommended to current service provision and so is considered to have a neutral impact on the current climate position.

9 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

9.1 None.

10 CONSULTATION

10.1 The report has been considered by the relevant council officers.

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