









Health and Wellbeing Board

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Title	Pharmaceutical needs assessment update
Date of meeting	27 th July 2023
Report of	Chair of Health and Wellbeing Board
Wards	All
Status	Public
Urgent	No
Appendices	Appendix A – Barnet Pharmacy Services Map
	Appendix B – Barnet PNA Supplementary Statement
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Summary

The Health and Wellbeing Board has a statutory duty to publish a Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) and update it at least every three years. The last PNA was approved and published by Barnet in 2022.

If there are changes to pharmaceutical provision since the last published statement, the Board is required to review the impact of the change and assess whether a supplementary statement is required.

Since the last assessment was published, two pharmacies closed in April 2023, which were the Lloyds pharmacies in Sainsburys stores in New Barnet and Hendon, and a third pharmacy closed due to consolidation with another premises in North Finchley in September 2022.



The impacts of these changes on pharmacy provision in the borough have been assessed. It is believed that these two closures and one consolidation will not lead to a gap or poor provision in pharmacy services in the London Borough of Barnet.

Following the regulations, a supplementary statement to the PNA is required for the pharmacy consolidation, but a supplementary statement is not required for the two pharmacy closures.

It is recommended that an updated map of pharmacy services in the London Borough of Barnet is produced and published alongside the PNA. This is appended to this report as Appendix A.

It is also recommended that a supplementary statement is produced and published alongside the PNA. This is appended to this report as Appendix B.

Recommendations

- 1. That the Board note the closures of the two Lloyds pharmacies in two Sainsburys stores and the consolidation of one pharmacy into another premises.
- 2. That the Board agrees that an updated supplementary statement is not required for the two pharmacy closures.
- 3. That the Board agrees that an updated supplementary statement (Appendix B) will be published for the pharmacy consolidation (as required by statutory guidance), and that an updated map of pharmacy provision in Barnet (Appendix A) is published alongside the statement.

1. Reasons for the Recommendations

Since the publication of the last Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment in 2022, there have been changes in pharmaceutical provision in Barnet.

The following two pharmacies closed in April 2023:

Lloyds Pharmacy, Sainsburys Store, 66 East Barnet Road, New Barnet, EN4 8RQ. NHS England removed this pharmacy from the pharmaceutical list for the area of Barnet HWB with effect from 23rd April 2023.

Lloyds Pharmacy, Sainsburys Store, Hyde Estate Road, Hendon, NW9 6JX. NHS England removed this pharmacy from the pharmaceutical list for the area of Barnet HWB with effect from 23rd April 2023.

An external expert resource, Soar Beyond Ltd. has been commissioned to provide support to maintain the PNA. Soar Beyond has reviewed the closures of the pharmacies at the two Sainsburys stores and agreed with the public health team that it will not lead to a potential gap or poor provision of pharmaceutical services. There are 6 pharmacies within 1 mile of the pharmacy closed in East Barnet Road, and 13 pharmacies within 1 mile of the pharmacy closed in Hyde Estate Road. Included within these are "extended hours pharmacies", so patients and public should still have adequate service provision and options.

The following pharmacy consolidation took place in September 2022:

Torrington Park (FK101) at 16 Torrington Park closed on 26th September 2022 due to consolidation into the premises of Carters (FED28) at 321 Ballards Lane. Soar Beyond has assessed the impact of the closed pharmacy due to consolidation and has confirmed that it does not create a gap in pharmacy provision.

An updated map of pharmacy provision in Barnet has been produced to reflect these changes and will be published on the London Borough of Barnet website. Following regulations, a pharmacy

consolidation requires a PNA supplementary statement to be produced. A supplementary statement is not required for the two pharmacy closures.

2. Alternative Options Considered and Not Recommended

2.1 None

3. Post Decision Implementation

- 3.1 Following the Board meeting, publish the updated Pharmacy Services Map and the PNA Supplementary Statement on the Barnet website.
- 3.2 Health and Well-being Board will receive further updates on pharmacy provision as part of the Primary Care six monthly updates already scheduled for the Board.

4. Corporate Priorities, Performance and Other Considerations

4.1 Corporate Plan

Approval and publication of the PNA means that the HWBB meets its statutory responsibilities to publish a PNA every three years.

Corporate Performance / Outcome Measures

4.1 Not applicable

Sustainability

4.2 Not applicable

Corporate Parenting

4.3 Not applicable

Risk Management

4.4 Not applicable

Insight

4.5 The Insight & Intelligence Team in collaboration with Soar Beyond Ltd provided data to support the analysis of the impact of pharmacy closures and produced an updated map of pharmacy services within the London Borough of Barnet.

Social Value

4.6 Social Value is an integral part of a PNA and the maintenance of a PNA to ensure that communities are able to access pharmacies at times and locations which are convenient for the local population of an area.

5. Resource Implications (Finance and Value for Money, Procurement, Staffing, IT and Property)

5.1 The recommendations to the Board have no resource implications.

6. Legal Implications and Constitution References

- 6.1 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. Termed a 'pharmaceutical needs assessment', 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.
- 6.2 The terms of Reference for the Board are set out in Part 2B of the Council's Constitution and include to jointly assess the health and social care needs of the population with NHS commissioners, and use the findings of a Barnet Joint Strategy Needs Assessment (JSNA) to inform all relevant local strategies and policies across partnership. The JSNA informed the PNA approved by the Board in September 2022, and the PNA will inform future iterations of the JSNA.

7. Consultation

7.1 Not applicable

8. Equalities and Diversity

8.1 The PNA and its maintenance has been developed considering equality and diversity.

9. Background Papers

- 9.1 Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment 2022: https://www.barnet.gov.uk/health-and-wellbeing-key-documents/pharmaceutical-needs-assessment
- 9.2 Government information pack on producing Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (last updated October 2021): Pharmaceutical needs assessments: information pack GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

10. Appendix

- 10.1 Appendix A Updated Pharmacy Services Map
- 10.2 Appendix B Supplementary statement for PNA, regarding pharmacy consolidation