

LEICESTER CITY HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD DATE

Subject:	Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Health and Wellbeing Board has a statutory requirement to produce a Pharmaceutical Needs Assessments (PNA) every 3 years. This PNA was published on 1st October 2022.

The purpose of the Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment is to:

- identify the pharmaceutical services currently available and assess the need for pharmaceutical services in the future
- inform the planning and commissioning of pharmacy services by identifying which services should be commissioned for local people, within available resources, and where these services should be; and
- inform decision making in response to applications made to NHS England and NHS Improvement by pharmacists and dispensing doctors to provide a new pharmacy. The organisation that will make these decisions is NHS England and NHS Improvement.

This PNA has reviewed pharmacy coverage in relation to the population health needs of the people of Leicester City. This has involved looking at the existing services, their locations, the range of services they are providing and the views of the people who are using them.

The PNA concluded there were sufficient pharmacies (85) within Leicester to serve the population of Leicester. However, pharmacies and the range of pharmacy services offered are not distributed evenly over the city, with more pharmacies located within the north central and eastern areas of the city. This means some residents will need to travel a little further to access a pharmacy or specific pharmaceutical service.

A short presentation will provide further information on the assessment, findings and recommendations.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Health and Wellbeing Board is requested to:

- Note the conclusions and recommendations
- Provide comment on areas identified for improvement.