

Item no. 13	Classification: Open	Date: 14 March 2024	Meeting name: Health and Wellbeing Board
Report title:		Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment 2022–25 Supplementary Statement 1	
Ward(s) or groups affected:		All	
From:		Sangeeta Leahy Director of Public Health Southwark Council	

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the Health and Wellbeing Board note the first Supplementary Statement of the Southwark Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment 2022–25.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2. Production of a local Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) is a statutory requirement of Health and Wellbeing Boards under the Health & Social Care Act (2012). The PNA is a structured assessment of local need for, and provision of, pharmaceutical services, mapped against local demographics, health needs and health services. The PNA is submitted to NHS England, and is used by them and local commissioners to plan local pharmacy service provision.
3. Southwark published its Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment 2022–25 on 5 Sep 2022 via the Southwark Council website.
4. Since publication, there have been a number of local pharmacy changes. These changes have been regulated and scrutinised by NHS England and routinely notified to the local authority.
5. NHS England requires the Health and Wellbeing Board to publish PNA Supplementary Statements, summarising changes that have occurred since the last full PNA.

KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

6. PNA 2022–25 Supplementary Statement 1 lists four changes of local pharmacy ownership. These are not anticipated to have any effect on local pharmaceutical service provision (based on evidence submitted to NHS England prior to sale approval).
7. This PNA Supplementary Statement also summarises new Census 2021 information on Southwark population changes since 2011. These changes were mostly anticipated and do not alter the original PNA's assessment of

pharmaceutical service need or provision.

Policy framework implications

8. There are no policy implications.

Community, equalities (including socio-economic) and health impacts

Community impact statement

9. There are no community implications.

Equalities (including socio-economic) impact statement

10. There are no equalities implications.

Health impact statement

11. There are no health implications.

Climate change implications

12. There are no climate change implications.

Resource implications

13. There are no resource implications.

Legal implications

14. There are no legal implications.

Financial implications

15. There are no financial implications.

Consultation

16. The reported changes of pharmacy ownership were private business transactions regulated and scrutinized by NHS England, with no effect on local pharmacy service provision. When a routine local pharmacy change request is submitted, NHS England administers an appeal process involving other local pharmacies, and considers any responses before giving its final decision. Public consultation is not normally undertaken.
17. When pharmacies are newly opened or moved, NHS England is required by law to contact nearby pharmacies, the local HealthWatch organisation, the

local authority Health and Wellbeing Board, and in some cases nearby doctors' surgeries, to provide information and invite comment. In addition, public consultation is required by law, via contact with local councillors or the local authority, or with nearby doctors' surgery patient representative groups, in order to provide information and invite comment. Comments received are sent to the pharmacy applicant, who has a right to respond. Hearings (which the public may attend) are held if more information is needed or if strong views have been received. All comments received are taken into account during NHS England's final decision-making. This consultation process was followed for the distance-selling pharmacy application approved in October 2023; a hearing was not considered necessary.

SUPPLEMENTARY ADVICE FROM OTHER OFFICERS

Assistant Chief Executive – Governance and Assurance

18. None sought

Strategic Director, Finance

19. None sought

Other officers

20. None sought

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
None		

APPENDICES

No.	Title
Appendix 1	Appendix 1 - Southwark's Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment

AUDIT TRAIL

Lead Officer	Tom Seery	
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Key Decision?	No	
CONSULTATION WITH OTHER OFFICERS / DIRECTORATES / CABINET MEMBER		
Officer Title	Comments Sought	Comments Included
Assistant Chief Executive Governance and Assurance	No	No
Strategic Director, Finance	No	No
List other officers here	N/A	N/A
Cabinet Member	No	No
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