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Westminster Health & Wellbeing Board



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Title:	Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment
Report of:	Anna Raleigh, Director of Public Health
Policy Context:	Every three years, there is a statutory requirement to produce a Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment.
Wards Involved:	All
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1. Executive Summary

- 1.1. Every three years there is a statutory requirement to produce a Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA). The PNA is a market analysis of local pharmaceutical needs and services and is delivered as part of the wider Joint Strategic Needs Assessment Programme.
- 1.2. An external provider, Soar Beyond Ltd, was commissioned to deliver the PNAs for both Westminster, and Kensington and Chelsea.
- 1.3. Consultation on the draft PNA commenced in July and finished on the 5th September 2022 in Westminster, and is due to finish on the 13th September 2022 for Kensington and Chelsea.
- 1.4. The final PNA reports will be shared with the Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board for sign off ahead of publication by October 2022.

2. Key Matters for the Board

- 2.1. The Health and Wellbeing Board are invited to consider and note the Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) ahead of publication by October 2022.

3. Overview of report

- 3.1. The Health and Wellbeing Board has a statutory requirement to publish a Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) every three years.
- 3.2. The PNA is a market analysis of local pharmaceutical needs and services, and their primary use is for NHS England to make market entry decisions on applications from prospective providers to be added to the local Pharmaceutical List.
- 3.3. The previous PNA was published in 2018, with the next one due in 2021. This deadline was extended to October 2022 due to the pandemic.
- 3.4. At the November 2021 Health and Wellbeing Board it was recommended to commission the PNA from a specialist provider for both Westminster, and Kensington and Chelsea.
- 3.5. Soar Beyond delivered a draft PNA report for each borough in June 2022 which stated that there are no gaps in the provision of pharmaceutical services across either of our boroughs.
- 3.6. As part of the PNA process, these drafts were shared with a prescribed list of stakeholders for a 60-day consultation period as required by law.
- 3.7. The consultation finished on the 5th September for Westminster and is due to finish on the 13th September 2022 for Kensington and Chelsea.
- 3.7. The final PNA reports will be shared with the Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board for sign off ahead of publication on each Local Authority's website in time for the October 2022 deadline.

4. Legal Implications

- 4.1. Health and Wellbeing Boards are legally required to publish and maintain a PNA for their local area by virtue of Section 128a of the National Health Service Act 2006 (Pharmaceutical Needs Assessments) and the Health and Social Care Act 2012.
- 4.2. PNAs must be developed in line with the National Health Service (Pharmaceutical and Local Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 2013.

5. Financial Implications

- 5.1. The cost of the PNA will be funded from the Public Health grant received by each authority, with no impact on the Councils' General Funds.

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