KIRKLEES HEALTH & WELLBEING BOARD

MEETING DATE: 22/09/22

TITLE OF PAPER: 2022-25 Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment update

1. Purpose of paper

To receive sign-off from the Board for the 2022-25 Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment.

2. Background

The NHS Act 2006 (the "2006 Act"), amended by the Health and Social Care Act 2012, sets out the requirements for Health and Wellbeing Boards to develop and update Pharmaceutical Needs Assessments (PNAs). The deadline for publication of the 2022-25 PNA is 1 October 2022. In December 2021 and March 2022, the Board was informed of progress towards completion of the Kirklees PNA. Following these updates, a draft PNA went out for public consultation between 13 June and 12 August 2022.

Three responses were received during the 60-day consultation period. No fundamental concerns were raised, but some small changes have been made to the report in response to this feedback. In addition, the report has been updated to reflect changes to pharmacy opening times and service provision occurring since the draft report was written. Taking these amendments into consideration, an assessment was made as to whether the overall conclusions of the draft report were still valid.

In summary, although a small number of pharmacies are either no longer offering extended opening on weekends or have made reductions to their opening hours, consideration of these changes, along with consultation feedback, do not alter the conclusions of the original assessment. The PNA has not identified any gaps in the provision of pharmaceutical services or any needs for future provision that could not be met by existing providers.

A copy of the final PNA has been circulated to the Board with papers for the September 2022 meeting. Consultation responses are summarised in Appendix A17 and changes to pharmacy provision can be found in Appendix A18.

3. Proposal

It is proposed the Board signs off the 2022 Kirklees PNA. Following sign-off, the 2022-25 PNA will be published on Kirklees Council's website (to replace the PNA for 2018-21 here: https://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/delivering-services/pharmaceutical-needs-assessment.aspx).

4. Financial Implications

None

5. Sign off

Rachel Spencer-Henshall, Strategic Director – Corporate Strategy, Commissioning and Public Health

6. Next Steps

The signed-off 2022-25 PNA will be published on Kirklees Council's website and will supersede the 2018-21 version.

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7. Recommendations

To sign off the final version of the 2022-25 PNA.

8. Contact Officer

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