



## Bristol Health and Wellbeing Board

Title of Paper:	<b>Bristol Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment 2022</b>
Author (including organisation):	<b>Carol Slater and Rachel Metcalfe, Bristol City Council</b>
Date of Board meeting:	<b>April</b>
Purpose:	Decision

### 1. Executive Summary

The purpose of this briefing paper is to update the Health & Wellbeing Board on the progress in producing the revised Bristol Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment 2022 and to seek delegated authority to the Director of Communities and Public Health to sign off the final report.

### 2. Purpose of the Paper

We are seeking delegated authority to the Director of Communities and Public Health to sign off the Bristol Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment 2022 (PNA) so it can be published by mandatory date of 1<sup>st</sup> October 2022.

### 3. Background and evidence base

Bristol City Council Health and Wellbeing Board (Bristol HWB) has a statutory responsibility to assess needs for pharmaceutical services in its area. The NHS (Pharmaceutical Services and Local Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 2013 set out the legislative basis for developing and updating PNAs. There is a legal requirement for the HWB boards to publish the PNA by 1<sup>st</sup> October 2022.

The PNA assesses how well existing services meet health needs of the people of Bristol for “necessary” pharmaceutical services. It must identify gaps and highlight priorities for future developments. It will be used by the NHS England South (Southwest) team to inform decisions on future pharmaceutical commissioning intentions and when they consider applications for new or relocated premises. The NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire Clinical Commissioning Group (BNSSG CCG) and Bristol City Council (BCC) may also use it when determining needs to commission services that might be provided by local pharmaceutical services.

### 4. Community/stakeholder engagement

The engagement is in two phases, Phase 1 concentrates on public and provider engagement, and desk research. A questionnaire for the public was published on the BCC website since 15 March (see appendix 1) and there have been 207 responses to date. The closing date for responses is 17 April 2022. Responses received will inform the draft pharmacy needs assessment consultation document. Phase 2 will be a formal consultation (including target groups). See appendix 2 and 3 for communications and consultation plan and the project timeline respectively.

## 5. Governance

A multi-agency PNA steering group has been established to provide oversight of the process, reporting to the Health and Wellbeing Board (terms of reference appended). The Group includes Healthwatch, the Local Pharmacy Committee Chair and the Local GP medical committee Chair, as well as the CCG medicines team.

## 6. Recommendations

That the Health and Wellbeing Board:

- Delegate authority to the Director of Communities and Public Health to sign off the Bristol Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment 2022 (PNA) so it can be published by mandatory date of 1<sup>st</sup> October 2022.
- Receive the draft report prior to consultation and the final draft before sign-off to for comment. The final report will come to the board for endorsement in October 2022, after publication.

## 7. City Benefits

The Bristol PNA will:

- Provide an up to date statement of the needs for pharmaceutical services of the local population. It identifies any gaps in current services and the need for future provision and enhancement.
- Enable commissioners, local pharmaceutical services and other community services to plan services targeted at local health inequalities to improve local health outcomes.
- Support delivery of the One City Plan Sustainable Development Goals for good health and well-being, and reduced inequalities. [One City Plan 2021 \(bristolonecity.com\)](https://www.bristolonecity.com)

## 8. Financial and Legal Implications

There are no financial or legal implications arising from this report.

## 9. Appendices

Appendix 1: Patient & Public Questionnaire (live on BCC website)  
[www.bristol.gov.uk/PNA2022engagement](http://www.bristol.gov.uk/PNA2022engagement)

Appendix 2: Communications & Consultation Plan

Appendix 3: PNA Timeline

Appendix 4: Bristol PNA Steering Group Terms of Reference.