

Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee (HOSC)

(Sub-committee of the
People Scrutiny Commission)

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Report of: Bristol City Council Public Health, South West Commissioning Hub, BNSSG ICB and Community Pharmacy Avon

Title: Local Pharmacy services

Ward: All

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Recommendations:

Members are recommended to note the contents of this report and take assurance in the processes in place to support access to pharmacy provision and in national and local developments to support pharmacy resilience.

The significant issues in the report are:

- Assessing need for pharmacy provision
- How pharmacy services are changing



1. Summary

The briefing provides an overview of pharmacy services including:

- Assessing need
- Changes in provision
- Managing exits and applications
- National and local developments to support access to community pharmacy services

2. Context

Please see slides

3. Policy

The report sets out the local response to the national launch of NHS Pharmacy First

4. Consultation

The Health and Wellbeing Board is notified of and consulted on changes to pharmacy provision. The Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment is subject to public consultation.

5. Public Sector Equality Duties

Increasing access to pharmacy for a wider range of services in the community can reduce health inequalities and the ICB and Public Health teams will work with Community Pharmacy Avon to promote uptake of services across our population.

The Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment includes an equality impact assessment.

Appendices:

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

Background Papers:

None