

Health and Wellbeing representations to pharmacy consolidation applications, July 2019 to June 2021

Background

The National health Service (Pharmaceutical and Local Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 2013 states Health and Wellbeing Boards (HWBBs) are required to produce an assessment of needs for pharmaceutical services in their area at least every three years.

The Hampshire Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) looks at the current provision of pharmaceutical services across the districts and how well needs for pharmaceutical services are being met. The latest report is online and can be found at <http://documents.hants.gov.uk/public-health/HampshirePharmaceuticalNeedsAssessmentFinal2018.pdf>

The PNA is used as a starting point for anyone who is thinking of making an application for a new pharmacy. NHS England (NHSE) is required to use it to consider applications to open a new pharmacy, move an existing pharmacy or to commission additional services from a pharmacy. In order to open a community pharmacy, a contract must be granted by NHSE.

Since 5th December 2016, the Health and Wellbeing Board has a statutory duty to make a representation to NHSE on consolidation applications of community pharmacies in its area (i.e. where pharmacy businesses on two or more sites propose to consolidate to a single existing site). The Health and Wellbeing Board must respond within 45 days. NHS England collate all responses from interested parties and then makes the final decision on the consolidation application.

The NHS (Pharmaceutical and Local Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 2013 set out the legislative basis for developing and updating Pharmaceutical Needs Assessments. Timescales have been updated in light of the pandemic response;

The final version of the current Hampshire PNA 2018-2021 was approved by the HWB on the 15th March 2018, for the time period 2018 to 2021. Due to current pressures in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the **Department of Health and Social Care has announced that the requirement to publish renewed Pharmaceutical Needs Assessments will be suspended until April 2022**. Health and wellbeing boards retain the ability to issue supplementary statements to respond to local changes and pharmaceutical needs during this time.

This briefing presents the consolidation applications Hampshire Health and Wellbeing board have responded to since the publication of the latest PNA. It should be noted that **on the 25th March 2020 NHS England have taken the decision to suspend work on processing Market Entry, Market Exit and Consolidation applications and was reinstated in 2021**.

In addition to the consolidation applications the Hampshire Health and Wellbeing board also made representation for a locality determination application the summary and outcome are also presented below, in summary several factors including local housing development information, local population forecast estimates are considered with reference to the guidance provided by the

Department of Health ¹ this states that there are a range of factors that might be considered in determining whether an area is rural they include:

- environmental – the balance between different types of land use;
- employment patterns (bearing in mind that those who live in rural areas may not work there);
- the size of the community and distance between settlements;
- the overall population density;
- transportation – the availability or otherwise of public transport and the frequency of such provision including access to services such as shopping facilities;
- the provision of other facilities, such as recreational and entertainment facilities.

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https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/255961/nhs_pharm_servs_market_entry_chpt_14.pdf

December 2019 Consolidation Application

Continuing site

Boots UK Ltd

31-37 Chantry Way, The Chantry Centre, Andover, Hampshire. SP10 1LT

Closing site

Boots UK Ltd

27 High Street, Andover, Hampshire. SP10 1LJ

HWB representation made to NHS England (December 2019)

The Hampshire Health and Wellbeing board considered the consolidation application and believed the removal does not create a gap in pharmaceutical services provision as published in the Hampshire Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment 2018 .

Outcome

Consolidation application granted 26/02/2020. Consolidated on 19/07/2020

December 2019 Controlled locality determination

Background

Controlled locality determination – For the western boundary of the non – controlled area of Waterlooville, in the main currently bounded by Hambledon Road, A3 and London Road.

HWB representation made to NHS England (December 2019)

The Director of Public Health on behalf of the Hampshire Health and Wellbeing Board has considered the documentation provided and advise that the area incorporating the Wellington Vale development and the Berewood development should change from a controlled (rural) locality to an uncontrolled (urban) locality.

Outcome

NHS England and NHS Improvement considered whether or not Wellington Park, Berewood and Newlands is a controlled locality, and have determined that it is not.

Date of correspondence 27/07/2020

2020 Consolidation Applications

Continuing site

Boots UK Ltd

Stanford Road (within Waitrose), Lymington, Hampshire. SO41 9GF

Closing site

Boots UK Ltd

41-42 St Thomas Street, Lymington, Hampshire. SO41 9ND

HWB representation made to NHS England (February 2020)

The Hampshire Health and Wellbeing board considered the consolidation application and believed the removal does not create a gap in pharmaceutical services provision as published in the Hampshire Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment 2018.

Outcome

Consolidation application granted 05/07/2020, consolidated on 30/08/2020

2021 Consolidation Applications

Continuing site

Rowlands Pharmacy

1 Middle Park Way, Leigh Park, Havant, Hampshire, PO9 4AB

Closing site

Rowlands Pharmacy

86 Bedhampton Road, Havant, Hampshire, PO9 3EZ

HWB representation made to NHS England (March 2021)

The Hampshire Health and Wellbeing board considered the consolidation application and believed the removal does not create a gap in pharmaceutical services provision as published in the Hampshire Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment 2018 .

Outcome

Consolidation application granted 28/04/2021, waiting for consolidation date to be submitted

Closures from July 2019

Date Closed	Pharmacy Type	Consolidation	Consolidation approved or refused	Pharmacy ODS Code (F-Code)	Health & Wellbeing Board	Pharmacy Trading Name	Pharmacy Owner/Company Name	Address 1	Address 2	Address 3	Address 4	Post Code
27/07/2019	Standard 40 Hour	No		FK510	Hampshire	Boots Pharmacy	Boots UK Ltd	(Waitrose Supermarket)	Dukes Walk	Waterlooville	Hampshire	PO7 7HS
01/11/2019	Distance Selling	No		FC134	Hampshire	Express Prescriptions	Personal Medicines Management Ltd	Unit 41, Gosport Business	Aerodrome Road	Gosport	Hampshire	PO13 0FQ
19/07/2020	Standard 40 Hour	Yes	Approved	FTT15	Hampshire	Boots the	Boots UK Ltd	27 High Street		Andover	Hampshire	SP10 1LJ
30/08/2020	Standard 40 Hour	Yes	Approved	FJT37	Hampshire	Your Local	Boots UK Ltd	41 - 42 St Thomas Street		Lymington	Hampshire	SO41 9ND
01/09/2020	Standard 40 Hour	No		FE707	Hampshire	Lloyds Pharmacy	Lloyds Pharmacy Ltd	9-11 Mengham Lane		Hayling Island	Hampshire	PO11 9BG