

**Title:** Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA)

**Wards Affected:** All

**To:** Health and Wellbeing Board      **On:** 28 March 2018

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## 1. Purpose

- 1.1 A Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) is a comprehensive assessment of the current and future pharmaceutical needs of the local population for community pharmacy, dispensing appliance contractors, and dispensing doctors in rural areas (where relevant). The Health and Social Care Act 2012 transferred the responsibility to develop and update PNAs from Primary Care Trusts to Health and Wellbeing Boards (H&WBs) from 1 April 2013. This means that Torbay's H&WB has a legal duty to ensure the production of a PNA for Torbay going forward. H&WBs were required to publish their first PNA by 1 April 2015 and publish a statement of its revised assessment within three years of its previous publication or sooner if changes to the need for pharmaceutical services are identified which are of significant extent.

The PNA for Torbay 2018-2021 presents a picture of community pharmacy need and provision in Torbay, and links to Torbay's Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA).

The PNA consultation ran from 04 December 2017 – 02 February 2018, through the Torbay Council consultation team. It was promoted to a defined group of stakeholders only due to the PNA being a technical document to determine pharmacy market entry applications to NHSE and not a document that is expected to be of interest to the general population.

The PNA steering group for Devon met on 02 February 2018 and reviewed all consultation responses across the three Devon H&WB areas. All PNA's were amended accordingly, as applicable. A consultation report is appended to the PNA document.

## 2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That the Board approve the PNA for publication on 01 April 2018.

2.2 That the Board agree to the publication of the PNA on the Torbay Council website by 01 April 2018.

### **3. Supporting Information**

3.1 The PNA is attached in the Background Papers.

### **4. Relationship to Joint Strategic Needs Assessment**

4.1 The JSNA is a specific section within the PNA.

### **5. Relationship to Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy**

5.1 The PNA is, under legislation, a statutory obligation of H&WBs to produce.

### **6. Implications for future iterations of the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and/or Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy**

6.1 No anticipated implications for either, unless the strategy does not articulate that it is a statutory requirement of the H&WB to produce the PNA every 3 years.

## **Appendices**

None

## **Background Papers:**

The following documents/files were used to compile this report:



Torbay PNA  
2018-2021 FINAL.pdf