



Bury Health and Wellbeing Board

Title of the Report	Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) update report following 60 day formal consultation
Date	21 <sup>st</sup> November 2014
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**1. Executive Summary**

Is this report for?	Information <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Discussion <input type="checkbox"/>	Decision <input type="checkbox"/>
Why is this report being brought to the Board?	Update HWB on progress and next steps of PNA development following 60-day formal consultation		
Please detail which, if any, of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy priorities the report relates to. (See attached Strategy)  Living_well_in_Bury_Making_it_happen_to	The development of the PNA is undertaken in the context of the needs described in the JHWS and JSNA.		
Please detail which, if any, of the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment priorities the report relates to. (See attached JSNA)  Bury JSNA - Final for HWBB 3.pdf	The PNA does not duplicate the JHWS and JSNA intentions but provides an overarching plan where pharmaceutical services can support those priorities.		
Key Actions for the Health and Wellbeing Board to address – what action is needed from the Board and its members? Please state recommendations for action.	For information only		
What requirement is there for internal or external communication around this area?	Continuous update between PNA Steering Group and HWB		
Assurance and tracking process – Has the report been considered at any other committee meeting of the Council/meeting of the CCG	The assurance and tracking of PNA development includes: PNA Steering Group (including PH, CCG, GM AT and LPC)		

Board/other stakeholders....please provide details.	HWB meeting Health Scrutiny meeting
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## 2. Introduction / Background

The Health and Social Care Act 2012 transferred responsibility to develop and update Pharmaceutical Needs Assessments (PNA) from PCTs to HWBs. HWB's first PNA must be published by 1 April 2015.

The PNA is a legal document which details pharmaceutical services which would be desirable and necessary in a locality based on the local health needs and population demographics.

The NHS (Pharmaceutical Services and Local Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 2013 set out the legislative basis for developing and updating PNAs and can be found at: <http://www.dh.gov.uk/health/2013/02/pharmaceutical-services-regulations>

PNAs will inform commissioning decisions by local authorities and by clinical commissioning groups (CCGs). NHS England area teams will also use the PNA to inform whether a pharmacy application would be desirable for a particular location.

### Overview of project to date

- April 2014 the PNA project started
- During April and May we surveyed the public and also pharmacy and appliance contractors for their opinion of pharmaceutical services in the Bury area.
- There was limited response to the public survey and a lesson for future surveys would be to carry out sustained social media advertisement (e.g. via Twitter, Facebook etc.) throughout the response period. Also send the survey direct to council listed public focus groups by email for them to urge their members to respond. Also advertisement in a local free newspaper may reach members of the public who would not normally access electronic updates.
- Data to inform the PNA was obtained from a wide range of sources.
- A gap analysis was undertaken to look at how pharmaceutical services might be improved in Bury.
- NWCSU produced a draft version of the PNA during August.
- Draft PNA was approved by HWB on 17<sup>th</sup> July 2014
- Formal public consultation (minimum of 60 days) ran during September, October and November
- An full analysis of responses to the formal consultation is to be carried out in December

## 3. Key issues for the Board to Consider

The formal consultation period of this PNA ran from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2014 until 24<sup>th</sup> November 2014. The draft PNA and consultation response form were issued by the Local Authority communications team to:

- all pharmacy contractors,
- dispensing appliance contractors,
- Bury CCG,
- Bury LPC,
- Bury LMC
- GM AT
- Local Healthwatch
- Local Acute Trusts
- Neighbouring HWB
- General public

The documents were posted on the intranet and internet. All consultation responses will be collated and analysed and the PNA will be amended where necessary by NWCSU.

- The number of responses received totalled 88.
- From the 88 responses, 76 were received from the general public. The majority of these being from the M45 postcode area.
- 81 thought that the explanation of the PNA was sufficient.
- 70 thought that the PNA provided an adequate assessment of pharmaceutical services in the Bury area.
- 71 thought that the PNA provided a satisfactory overview of the current and future pharmaceutical needs of the Bury population.
- 40 thought that current pharmacy provision and services in Bury is adequate.
- 65 out of 87 agreed with the conclusion of the PNA.

The main area of contention that the consultation responses highlighted were in regard to:

- Pharmaceutical needs in the Besses area. The consultation draft PNA identified a potential gap in service provision in the Besses ward and made suitable requirements for this gap to be fulfilled. There were a number of challenges to this gap analysis and some stakeholders felt that there was no gap in Besses Ward and existing pharmacy contractors on the ward boundary could support the pharmaceutical needs of Besses population.

Following previous public HWB meetings and the review of all responder views to the consultation, in particular the general public, LPC, pharmacy contractors and CCG; NWCSU felt the original principle recommendations within the consultation draft PNA remains valid. However, there are several recommendations following consultation that will require the draft PNA to be amended accordingly. Consultation responses can be found in Appendix 3 of the draft PNA if further details are required.

The HWB will be asked to agree and ratify the final version of the PNA in January 2015 to ensure it can be published by the deadline of March 31<sup>st</sup> 2014.

The Local Authority Communications Team will be asked to ensure a copy is uploaded onto the Bury Council website by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2014 for access by stakeholders and the general public.

A HWB must make a revised assessment as soon as is reasonably practicable after identifying changes since the previous assessment, which are of a significant extent, to the need for pharmaceutical services in its area, having regard in particular to changes to -

- the number of people in its area who require pharmaceutical services;
- the demography of its area; and
- the risks to the health or well-being of people in its area, unless it is satisfied that making a revised assessment would be a disproportionate response to those changes.

If the response would be disproportionate HWB may publish a supplementary statement explaining changes to the availability of pharmaceutical services since the publication of its or a Primary Care Trust's pharmaceutical needs assessment (and any such supplementary statement becomes part of that assessment), where—

the changes are relevant to the granting of applications referred to in section 129(2)(c)(i) or (ii) of the 2006 Act; and the HWB—

- is satisfied that making its first or a revised assessment would be a disproportionate response to those changes, or
- is in the course of making its first or a revised assessment and is satisfied that immediate modification of its pharmaceutical needs assessment is essential in order to prevent significant detriment to the provision of pharmaceutical services in its area

Each HWB must, in so far as is practicable, keep up to date the map which it includes in its pharmaceutical needs assessment pursuant to paragraph 7 of Schedule 1 (without needing to republish the whole of the assessment or publish a supplementary statement).

NWCSU Medicines Optimisation team will maintain this information on behalf of the HWB and will publish Supplementary Statements regarding changes to pharmacy contracts such as change of location, ownership or change of trading hours every 6 months. The information regarding change of pharmacy contracts will be sent to the NWCSU by the NHS England's GM Area Team.

The HWB should identify any other changes which they feel justifies a change to the PNA and inform the NWCSU Medicines Optimisation team, they will then take any necessary actions to rewrite the PNA or supply a supplementary statement when appropriate.

The supplementary statements should be published onto the Local Authority website alongside the PNA by the Local Authority communications team.

After it has published its first pharmaceutical needs assessment, each HWB must publish a statement of its revised assessment within 3 years of its previous publication of a pharmaceutical needs assessment.

#### **4. Recommendations for action**

The above notes are for the HWB information.

In January 2015 HWB meeting we will be asking the Board to:

1. Ratify the Bury Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment version April 2015 in order that it can be published within the agreed timescales of the project.
2. Ensure that Bury Council communications team publishes the ratified version in a timely manner onto the Council website.
3. Ensure that any changes which could affect the provision of pharmaceutical services across Bury are highlighted to the NWCSU Medicines Optimisation team so they are able to produce a supplementary statement or start the PNA process again as necessary.
4. Ensure that any supplementary statements are published alongside the PNA.
5. Plan to publish a new PNA every 3<sup>rd</sup> year; unless a significant change to the need for pharmaceutical services are identified.

#### **5. Financial and legal implications (if any)**

**If necessary please see advice from the Council Monitoring Officer Jayne Hammond ([J.M.Hammond@bury.gov.uk](mailto:J.M.Hammond@bury.gov.uk)) or Section 151 Officer Steve Kenyon ([S.Kenyon@bury.gov.uk](mailto:S.Kenyon@bury.gov.uk)).**

## 6. Equality/Diversity Implications

Equality Impact Analysis will be available in Appendix 10 of the PNA document

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