DERBY HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD: Consideration of pharmacy consolidation

Date request to HWB received from NHS England:

Letter dated:

Letter received via email:

Reference: PCC-

Consolidation proposal:

Consolidation onto...

HWB required to respond by:

Date analysis and recommendation circulated to HWB members:

Date response sent to NHS England:

Recommendation to the Health and Wellbeing Board				
That	the proposed removal of the premises from the pharmaceutical list:			
	would create a gap in pharmaceutical services that could be met by a routine application (a) to meet a current or future need for pharmaceutical services, or (b) to secure improvements, or better access, to pharmaceutical services.			
	would not create a gap in pharmaceutical services that could be met by a routine application (a) to meet a current or future need for pharmaceutical services, or (b) to secure improvements, or better access, to pharmaceutical services.			

The recommendation based on analysis of the key considerations as set out in Appendix 1. A summary of the analysis and reason for the recommendation to the Health and Wellbeing Board set out below:

Summary of analysis					

Before agreement of the response and return to NHS England, the proposed recommendation and analysis will be sent to HWB members, councillors of affected ward and local authority and NHS commissioners of community pharmacy services for

comment.

Appendix 1 – Analysis of key considerations

Key considerations

Change in pharmacies/ 100,000 population

Changes in access and availability

Opening hours:

To consider: will the proposed merger results in a large discrepancy in opening hours between the closing and remaining pharmacy? Supplementary hours can be withdrawn by giving 3 months' notice, without any restriction.

Access:

To consider: will the local population still have reasonable access to community pharmacy? Will the population of the affected area still be within one mile (considered within 'accessible distance') of the proposed consolidated site

Accessibility (on-site facilities):

Will the change/closure have an impact on groups with protected characteristics as defined in 2010 Equality Act (i.e. age, gender, race, disability, marital status, religion, sexual orientation)?

Will the change/closure still provide sufficient choice of providers in the locality?

What will be the changes to the current service provision?

To consider: Will current service provision in the locality be adequate? Only access to NHS commissioned service is considered under regulations. Local authority public health services and CCG are not a consideration.

What will be the changes to provision of specialist services or equipment?

Are there any future proposals e.g. housing developments that could be impacted by the proposed consolidations?