

TITLE OF REPORT: Pharmacy Allocations 2016/17: Update

Purpose of Report

1. The purpose of this report is to present the Health and Wellbeing Board with a summary of Pharmacy Relocation Applications for the period April 2016 – March 2017. Applications are received from NHS England in accordance with the NHS (Pharmaceutical and Local Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 2013.

Background

2. The NHS (Pharmaceutical and Local Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 2013 outline that under regulation 99 (4a), NHS England must give notice of the designation (relating to pharmacy applications) to:
 - *“The Health and Wellbeing Board for the area to which the designation relates, or (as the case may be) for the area in which the premises or descriptions are situated”.*
3. A process has been agreed whereby any Pharmacy Relocation Applications would first be considered by the Director of Public Health who would make a recommendation to the other Health and Wellbeing Board members as to whether a representation to NHS England was necessary. The application would then be circulated to the Health and Wellbeing Board, along with the Director of Public Health’s recommendation.

Pharmacy Applications

4. The Health and Wellbeing Board as an interested party is requested to provide NHS England with any representations in respect of Pharmacy Relocation applications.
5. Between April 2016 and March 2017 there have been zero Applications in Gateshead. There has been one change of hours and one change of ownership both of which were approved by NHS England.

Recommendations

6. It is recommended that the Health and Wellbeing Board:

- Note the content of this report;
- Receive future reports when new applications are submitted.

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