

HEALTH OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

13 DECEMBER 2016

PHARMACY SERVICES IN WORCESTERSHIRE

Summary

1. The Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (HOSC) is to receive an overview of Pharmacy Services in Worcestershire from NHS England, including the role of pharmacists, how pharmacy works, new ways of working.

Background

2. NHS England is the national commissioner of community pharmacy services, and its role is to ensure the NHS provides safe, effective, high quality patient care and services within community pharmacy.
3. HOSC members are aware of the recent announcement from the Department of Health which will mean reductions to funding arrangements, as part of working with NHS England over the next five years to develop how services can be delivered differently.

Purpose of Meeting

4. Members are invited to consider and comment on the information provided and to consider whether any further information is required at this stage.
5. In doing so, HOSC members may want to consider:
 - Impact of changes on the sustainability of Community Pharmacy Services
 - Impact on the public and access to care
 - The role of Community Pharmacy

Supporting Information

Appendix 1 – Pharmacy Update

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