

Chairman's announcement

Pharmaceutical services

Members of the Board will recall the question on provision of pharmaceutical services in Warminster at the September Health and Wellbeing Board meeting and discussion on community pharmacy provision generally at the November meeting.

In a recent consultation on a new market entry for pharmaceutical services in Warminster, Health and Wellbeing Board members were asked for their opinion on the application.

Supportive responses were received, recognising that the new provider offers additional pharmaceutical service provisions, providing an improved choice of community pharmacy to our residents, especially those residing in the west side of the town. The provision will complement the existing community pharmacies in Warminster. Additionally, the additional weekend operating hours as listed on the application would enhance our residents' access to pharmaceutical services on the weekends.

Whilst no gaps were identified in our current Pharmaceutical Need Assessment in the Warminster area, a response from the Wiltshire Health and Wellbeing Board was drafted welcoming and supporting this application.

Similar consultations will be shared with the Board on an ongoing basis and responses drafted in line with feedback received. If there are conflicting views any response will be agreed by the chair and board members are of course free to respond on an individual basis if they wish to do so.