

Application for Inclusion in the Pharmaceutical List

Application to: NHS ENGLAND

Relevant HWB isREADING

This is an application to secure identified improvements or better access and as such is a routine application under regulation 17 of the NHS (Pharmaceutical and Local Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 2013.

1. Information regarding the applicant

1.1 Full name and correspondence address of the applicant

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| ASCENT HEALTHCARE LIMITED Nabbs Pharmacy 63 Nabbs Lane Hucknall Nottingham NG15 6NT |
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1.2 Applicant's legal entity¹

I/we am/are applying as a:

(Please tick relevant box. Only one box may be selected. GPhC registration numbers only need to be provided for pharmacy applications.)

Sole trader My GPhC registration number is

Partnership

Body corporate

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| The superintendent's name and GPhC registration number is / will be | Qammar Nazir 2066281 |
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1.3 Provision of fitness to practise information

The application is being made by a body corporate and we have provided the required fitness to practise information to our home NHS England Area Team.

1.4 Relevant fee

I/we include the relevant fee for this application.

¹ Limited Liability Partnerships should be treated as Body Corporates for the purposes of the Regulations

2. Best estimate for the location of the proposed premises

Within the proposed Reading Gateway development
 Imperial Way
 Reading
 Berkshire
 RG2 0ET
 (see area on attached map)

These premises are:

Already constructed Under negotiation
 Already in my/our possession Registered with GPhC
 Not in our possession yet

3. Opening hours

3.1 Proposed core opening hours

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | Sunday | Total |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------|-------------|-------|
| 9.00am to 1.00pm / 2.00pm to 7.30pm | 9.00am to 1.00pm / 2.00pm to 7.30pm | 9.00am to 1.00pm / 2.00pm to 7.30pm | 9.00am to 1.00pm / 2.00pm to 7.30pm | 9.00am to 1.00pm / 2.00pm to 7.30pm | | 12pm to 4pm | 51.5 |

3.2 Total proposed opening hours²

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | Sunday | Total |
|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|----------|-------------|-------|
| 9.00am to 7.30pm | 9.00am to 7.30pm | 9.00am to 7.30pm | 9.00am to 7.30pm | 9.00am to 7.30pm | | 12pm to 4pm | 56.5 |

4. Pharmaceutical services to be provided at these premises

Essential services (paragraphs 3 to 22, Schedule 4 – pharmacies)

Or

Terms of service (paragraphs 3 to 12, Schedule 5 – DACs)

Clinical governance (paragraph 28, Schedule 4 or paragraph 18, Schedule 5)

If you are undertaking to provide appliances, specify the appliances that you undertake to provide (or write 'none' if it is intended that the pharmacy will not provide appliances).

Appliances as listed in Part IX Drug Tariff

² The total opening hours includes the core hours entered above and supplementary opening hours if any.

Please give details of any advanced and enhanced services you intend to provide. These details should include:

- confirmation that you are accredited to provide the services where that accreditation is a prerequisite for the provision of the services;
- confirmation that the premises are accredited in respect of the provision of the services where that accreditation is a prerequisite for the provision of the services; and
- a floor plan showing the consultation area where you propose to offer the services, where relevant. Where a floor plan cannot be provided please set out the reasons for this.

| Service | Accredited to provide (Y/N/NA) | Premises accredited (Y/N/NA) | Consultation area is or will be provided(Y/N) |
|---|--------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| NMS | N | N | Y |
| MUR | N | N | Y |
| EHC | N | N | Y |
| Smoking Cessation | N | N | Y |
| Chlamydia Screening | N | N | Y |
| Flu Vaccinations | N | N | Y |
| Other Screening Services | N | N | Y |
| Services under PGDs | N | N | Y |
| Palliative Care | N | N | Y |
| Needle and Syringe Exchange | N | N | Y |
| Supply of Gluten Free Foods | N | N | Y |
| <u>Cardiovascular Risk Assessment testing</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>Y</u> |
| Hepatitis Testing | N | N | Y |
| Supervised Self Administration | N | N | Y |

Additional Information re Services Provision

We intend to provide all commissioned services and will ensure that all pharmacists employed are accredited to provide these services. The premises will also be accredited. In addition, we intend to provide a number of services that are not currently being commissioned and will seek to work with local GP practices to develop joint working on the provision of non-commissioned services.

Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary.
Floor plan showing consultation area

We are unable to provide a floor plan of the proposed premises as the premises have not yet been identified and secured.

Once the premises have been secured they will be registered with the GPhC and will comply with all relevant legal and ethical requirements for the operation of a retail pharmacy business.

5 Applications in relation to premises that are in close proximity to other listed chemist premises

This section should only be completed if the premises included in section 2 above are adjacent to, or in close proximity to, another pharmacy or dispensing appliance contractor premises.

In my/our view this application should not be refused pursuant to Regulation 31 for the following reasons:

The applicant does not operate any other pharmacy in this area therefore Regulation 31 does not apply.

6 Information in support of the application

In making this application I/we am/are seeking to secure the improvements or better access identified on pages 4, 42, 49, 51 and 52³ of the HWB's pharmaceutical needs assessment.

The PNA states at page 4,

Key findings

All residents are within 10 minutes drive of a pharmacy when services in neighbouring boroughs are taken into account; however there are no pharmacies in Mapledurham or Thames ward and **no services open on evenings or Sundays in Whitley** or Church wards.

Although 95% of residents are within 15 minutes walk of a pharmacy during normal working hours, **residents in parts of Whitley, Mapledurham, and Thames wards and a small area of Peppard ward are not within walking distance of a pharmacy either within or outside the borough.**

Future planned developments in Whitley where there are areas of relative deprivation and a higher proportion of young families may increase need for services in this area.

Based on the information available at the time of developing this PNA, **there may be gaps in provision of essential and advanced pharmaceutical services within walking distance for some residents in Whitley, Mapledurham and Thames wards, there may also be increased need for services in Whitley in the lifetime of this PNA if future residential development goes ahead as planned.**

³ Insert page number.

And at page 42

95% of Reading residents are able to access a Reading-based pharmacy within a 15 minute walk and a further 1% can access a pharmacy outside of the borough within this time. Map 7 illustrates the population that can access any pharmacy, inside or outside of Reading, within a 15 minute walking time. It is important to note that this level of accessibility does reduce to 28% on weekday evenings (after 7pm) and to 31% on Sundays. This does not take into account opening hours of pharmacies in neighbouring authorities, which Reading Borough residents would also be able to access. **However, residents in parts of Whitley, Mapledurham, and Thames wards and a small area of Peppard ward are not within walking distance of a pharmacy either within or outside the borough.**

And at 49

F: Assessment of pharmaceutical service provision

Six pharmacies are open weekday evenings and three of these are open until at least 10pm. 27 pharmacies are open at least part of the day on Saturdays and three of these are open until at least 10pm. Six pharmacies are open on Sunday however the latest opening is 8pm. **There is no evening or Sunday provision in Whitley or Church wards, both of which have areas of relative deprivation:**

Although 96% of Reading residents are within a 15 minute walk of a pharmacy in normal working hours; however, **some residents in parts of Whitley, Mapledurham, and Thames wards and a small area of Peppard ward are not within walking distance of a pharmacy either within or outside the borough.**

And at page 51

G: Conclusions

2. Current gaps

Conclusion: Based on the information available at the time of developing this PNA, **there may be gaps in provision of essential and advanced pharmaceutical services within walking distance for some residents in Whitley, Mapledurham and Thames wards.**

3. Future Gaps

Developments in Whitley ward mean that an increased number of residents may have to travel further to access essential services in the evenings and at weekends

And at page 52

5. Opportunities for improvements and/or better access to pharmaceutical services

Conclusion

Based on the information available at the time of developing this PNA, **there is opportunity to improve access to essential services for residents living in Mapledurham, Thames, Whitley and Peppard wards.**

In the box below please explain how you intend to secure the identified improvements or better access either in whole or in part.

We therefore submit an application under regulation 17 at a site which falls within parts of the Whitley Ward where residents are not within walking distance (i.e further than 15 minutes' walk) of a pharmacy either within or outside the borough.

Furthermore, we are offering core hours to cover services during evenings and Sundays in Whitley.

The proposal site is within the Reading Gateway development which is situated on one of the main approaches into Reading, providing two million sq. ft of commercial, retail and residential space as part of a new District Centre. The design includes two commercial towers above a new retail square, complete with underground servicing. To the east of the retail quarter, a new eco-park is surrounded, and overlooked by 900 new and generously sized residential apartments, creating a fresh approach to suburban living.

In addition to providing dispensing services, the pharmacy would provide all other essential, advanced and enhanced services that are commissioned by NHS England or the local authority. Providing access to these services will be of significant benefit for patients, particularly those who may have difficulty in accessing other parts of the area, such as the elderly, infirm disabled, or parents with young children (ie those who share a protected characteristic).

We therefore ask NHS England to approve this application.

7 Undertakings and Declarations

The Applicant is, or is entitled to be, lawfully conducting a retail pharmacy business in accordance with section 69 of the 1968 Act.

By virtue of submitting this application I/we undertake to notify NHS ENGLAND within 7 days of any material changes to the information provided in this application (including any fitness information provided under paragraph 3 or 4, Schedule 1) before:

- the application is withdrawn,
- while the application remains the subject of proceedings, the proceedings relating to the application reach their final outcome and any appeal through the courts has been disposed of, or
- if the application is granted, I/we commence the provision of the services to which this application relates,

whichever is the latest of these events to take place.

I/We also undertake to notify NHS ENGLAND if I/we am/are included, or apply to be included, in any other relevant list before:

- the application is withdrawn,
- while the application remains the subject of proceedings, the proceedings relating to the application reach their final outcome and any appeal through the courts has been disposed of, or
- if the application is granted, I/we commence the provision of the services to which this application relates, whichever is the latest of these events to take place.

I/We also undertake:

- to comply with all the obligations that are to be my/our terms of service under Regulation 11 if the application is granted, and
- in particular to provide all the services and perform all the activities at the premises listed above that are required under the terms of service to be provided or performed as or in connection with essential services.

The following only applies where the applicant is seeking to provide directed services. I/We:

- undertake to provide the directed services mentioned in this application if NHS ENGLAND commissions them within 3 years of the date of grant of this application or, if later, the listing of the premises to which this application relates,
- undertake, if the services are commissioned by the NHS England, to provide the services in accordance with an agreed service specification, and
- agree not to unreasonably withhold my/our agreement to the service specification for each directed service I/we are seeking to provide.

I confirm that to the best of my knowledge the information contained in my/our application is correct

Signature

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PositionDirector.....

Date 25.11.17.....

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