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Proposal to reduce the size of the Community Pharmacy Lincolnshire committee

The committee of Community Pharmacy Lincolnshire (The Local Pharmaceutical Committee) has been reviewing its governance, structure, and the support it offers to contractors in Lincolnshire.

Recent publication of the outcomes from David Wright's review of community pharmacy representation by LPCs and PSNC has accelerated these discussions, and Community Pharmacy Lincolnshire want to ensure that it continues to provide effective representation of community pharmacy in Lincolnshire in a cost-effective way.

Community Pharmacy Lincolnshire has a committee of fifteen members, representing 119 contractors¹. This makes us one of the larger Local Pharmaceutical Committees.

We currently have three vacancies for committee members – one each for CCA, AIMp and Independent representatives.

At the committee meeting on 21st July 2020 the current committee size was considered carefully, recognising the views put forward in the 'Wright Report' and of member organisations. These were balanced against the need for appropriate representation in a large, rural geography that is coterminous with the Sustainability and Transformation Plan and costs of running the committee to contractors.

Following these considerations, it was proposed and agreed that the committee size should be **reduced to 12 members**, and that the current vacancies are not filled.

We will therefore **seek ratification of the following proposal** at our September AGM:

The committee of Community Pharmacy Lincolnshire shall reduce its membership from 15 to 12 members:

- **6 Company Chemists Association (CCA) representatives**
- **4 Association of Independent Multiples (AiM) representatives**
- **2 Independent Pharmacy representatives.**

¹ Planned consolidations will reduce this to 117 in 2020