



COMMUNITY PHARMACY

Lincolnshire

Special General Meeting - 17th January 2023

Representing and Supporting NHS Community Pharmacy in Lincolnshire

TAPR and Constitution amendments

Dr Tracey Latham-Green PhD, Chief Officer and Mr Paul Jenks, Chair

Special General Meeting items

To vote as to whether you agree with the proposals shown. Report was circulated with SGM invite and voting papers where appropriate

Do you agree with the committee finding that CPL should stay as a single, coterminous LPC in Lincolnshire working within our existing levy? (Please see report for rationale)

Do you agree that CPL should adopt the New Model LPC Constitution as from the start of the next term of office in 2023? (appendix 2 in report)

Do you agree to delay the elections for LPC membership by a further 3 months? Currently Members Terms of Office expire on 31st March 2023.

The Lincolnshire Landscape

- Rural county of 6,959 km²
- Widely dispersed population of circa 760,000.
- Limited public transport, no motorways and few dual carriage-ways.
- Very high level of dispensing GP practices (85, of which 24 are 50% or higher dispensing)
- Largest number of care homes in county in the UK (293*).

Understanding this landscape is key when working within the ICS.

*Source CQC [01 December 2022 HSCA Active locations.ods \(live.com\)](#)
Downloaded from: [Using CQC data - Care Quality Commission](#)

Considerations

The current restructures across the pharmacy representative landscape require Community Pharmacy Lincolnshire to consider the following 4 elements:

1. NHS Boundaries: Matches NHS boundaries (Integrated Care Board (ICB)), having a representation and governance structure (LPC members) at a system level
2. System and place-based working: Able to invest executive resource to undertake system and place-based work.
3. Finance and Justification: Able to meet increased contributions to PSNC, without having to increase contractor levies
4. LPC Size: 200 contractors or above

NHS boundaries & LPC structure:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CPL are coterminous with Lincolnshire Integrated Care System (ICS) and Lincolnshire Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) • 10-member committee that uses model constitution (proposes adoption of new model constitution)
System and place-based working within current resource	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working closely with the ICS (and its forerunners) since 2021 as one of the Four Pillars of Primary Care (4PPC)(general practice, pharmacy, dentistry and optometry) • Seats on ICS groups at strategic and operational levels, prior work to RSG and ongoing. Current Chair and Committee Member system wide input includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Prescribing and Clinical Effectiveness Forum (PACEF), ○ Integrated Pharmacy and Medicines Optimisation (IPMO) programmes ○ ICS transition groups. ○ Strategic Level System Clinical Directorate as part of the Primary Care Advisory Group meeting monthly (of which CPL Chair is vice-chair) and Clinical and Care Directorate Strategic Board (CPL Chair a member) <p>Any changes in this structure would adversely affect community pharmacy's role & recognition within ICS.</p> • Work done in Lincs ICS as part of 4PPC recognised as example of good practice at local, regional and national level • Best Supporting Local Representative category at the Independent Pharmacy Awards 2022 – highly commended • Can continue this work within current financial envelope
Finance and Justification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contractor levy req. from PSNC increased from £44,510 in 2022/23 to the following indicative rates: 2023/24 £51,817 +/- 5%; max £54,408 min £49,227 (var £5,181); 2024/25 £61,521 +/- 5%; max £64,597 min £58,445 (var £6,152) • Efficient organisation: Less than one FTE employed staff and strictly controlled overheads. • Fixed levy income calculation • Through operational efficiencies and accessing external funding sources, until at least 2024/25 CPL can remain within the current financial envelope and meet the increase in PSNC levy without any additional income from contractors, whilst also maintaining its reserves appropriately.
LPC Size	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 117 Contractors but no natural merge partners within the NHS Midlands region. Most likely candidate, Nottinghamshire LPC, already represent 200+ contractors, and recognise the potential challenges that merging may represent (working across multiple ICSs, and the possible significant geographical size of the combined area: a combined geography would be approx. 9100 sq. Km) • Unlikely significant cost savings/efficiencies could be realised from neighbouring LPC merger (if agreed to merge) • Potential negative impacts of merger, particularly in ICS engagement and Lincolnshire perspective on committee

Constitution & Elections Delay

- Propose to adopt the new model constitution
- Although we are not proposing significant changes in Lincolnshire, important to align ourselves with the national model as much as possible, therefore propose a delay in elections for the next four-year term from 2023/24, meaning new committee formed from July 2023 rather than April 2023
- The new constitution will restrict committee members to a maximum of three, four-year terms as from the proposed formation of the next committee in July 2023.
- CPL already employs the other governance elements within this new constitution, for example those around finance and conflicts of interest, and will continue to do this moving forward.

Voting (if appl)– choose one of the two options

YES, I vote to agree with the committee finding that CPL should stay as a single, coterminous LPC in Lincolnshire working within our existing levy, adopt the New Model LPC Constitution as from the start of the next term of office in 2023 and agree to a delay the elections for LPC membership by a further 3 months (Currently Members Terms of Office expire on 31st March 2023).

NO, I vote to reject the committee finding that CPL should stay as a single, coterminous LPC in Lincolnshire working within our existing levy, adopt the New Model LPC Constitution as from the start of the next term of office in 2023 and agree to a delay the elections for LPC membership by a further 3 months (Currently Members Terms of Office expire on 31st March 2023).

Votes received prior to the SGM meeting YES – 82 NO – 0

Responses have been received from:

Lloyds, Lifecare Ltd - Hawthorn Pharmacy, Well, Lincolnshire Co-op, Rowlands, Boots, Tesco

Additional votes received at meeting – Riverside Pharmacy, Yes; Warwick Pharmacy Yes (5)

TOTAL FINAL VOTE: YES – 88

NO – 0