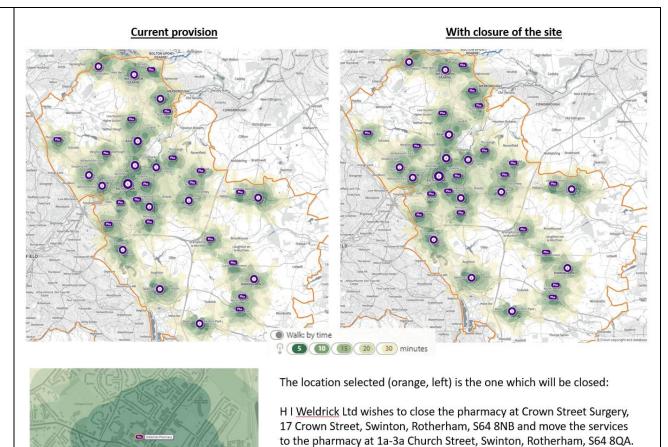
	ТО:	Health and Wellbeing Board
	DATE:	29/03/2023
BRIEFING	LEAD OFFICER	Lorna Quinn, Public Health Intelligence Manager, RMBC
		Leonie Wieser, Policy Officer, RMBC
	TITLE:	Pharmacy consolidation

#### Background

- 1.1 In January 2023, NHSE received an application for a pharmacy consolidation in the Borough. As part of the review process, NHSE asked the Health and Wellbeing Board, as the responsible body for the Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment, to make representation.
- Analysis carried out by Public Health outlines the very minimal impact that this change will have in terms of pharmacy access in the borough based on the service offer, opening hours and walking times to this branch and the main pharmacy.
- **1.3** The Health and Wellbeing Board Chair has agreed for the representation below to be sent to NHSE.
- **1.4** Analysis is outlined below and papers are attached for information.

### **Key Issues**

- 2.1 Analysis carried out by the Public Health Intelligence Manger indicates there will be no disruption to pharmaceutical services:
  - Site 2 is closing down, site 1 is remaining open.
  - All advanced/enhanced services are currently provided at site 1 and will continue to be post closure of site 2.
  - Current total opening hours for site 1 are 49 compared to 42.5 for site 2 which is closing therefore no reduction of hours.
  - There will be no disruption to service provision during the consolidation (closures for work etc).
  - The distance between the sites is only 100m.
    - o Total population in a 10-minute walk with only the one site is 5,355
    - Total population in a 10-minute walk with both sites is 5,355
- 2.2 The below maps confirm the lack of difference between the two options:



Below shows the walking distances with the closure.



## **Key Actions and Relevant Timelines**

- 19th January 23: Application notification received 3.1
- 3.2 February 23: Analysis conducted by Public Health and representation signed off by the Health and Wellbeing Board chair.

# Implications for Health Inequalities

Based on the analysis above, there is currently no known impact on pharmacy access of 4.1 the consolidation of pharmacy services.

### Recommendations

5.1 That the Health and Wellbeing Board note the application and the representation made on behalf of the Board.