

Somerset Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment **2018-21**

Somerset Health and Wellbeing Board

ANNEXE 2 CENTRAL MENDIP COMMISSIONING LOCALITY

2.1 Central Mendip

2.1.1 Overview

Central Mendip is the smallest commissioning locality in Somerset by population, with only three pharmacies, one dispensing practice and one dispensing branch.

Health need is taken from the Central Mendip Commissioning Locality Profile for 2016

<http://www.somersetintelligence.org.uk/files/Central%20Mendip%20Cloc%202016.pdf>

which should be considered part of the Somerset PNA 2018.

2.1.2 Locality description and map

The area is largely rural, with Shepton Mallet being the only town. The population is also served by Glastonbury and Street to the west, Frome to the east and Radstock to the north.

2.1.3 Population & context for health

The population registered with GPs in the locality was 19,910 in 2016. The area has fewer old people compared to the Somerset average. The population weighted Index of Multiple Deprivation for the local area is 16.6 representing lower levels of deprivation compared to the Somerset average of 18.1.

Disease prevalence

- Significantly worse (higher number than expected compared to the county average) for:
 - Palliative Care
- The Commissioning Locality has the worst value (highest number compared to the expected based on county average) in the county for:
 - Dementia
 - Heart Failure
 - Palliative Care
- Significantly better (lower number than expected compared to the county average) for: Obesity (16+) Osteoporosis (50+)

Mortality, causes and places of death

The 'death blobs' for mortality and years of life lost provide a visual indication of the key causes of death in Central Mendip Locality. The proportion of deaths occurring before age 65 years is 13.5% which is higher than the rest of the county, the Somerset rate being 12.0%.

YEARS OF LIFE LOST BEFORE THE AGE OF 75

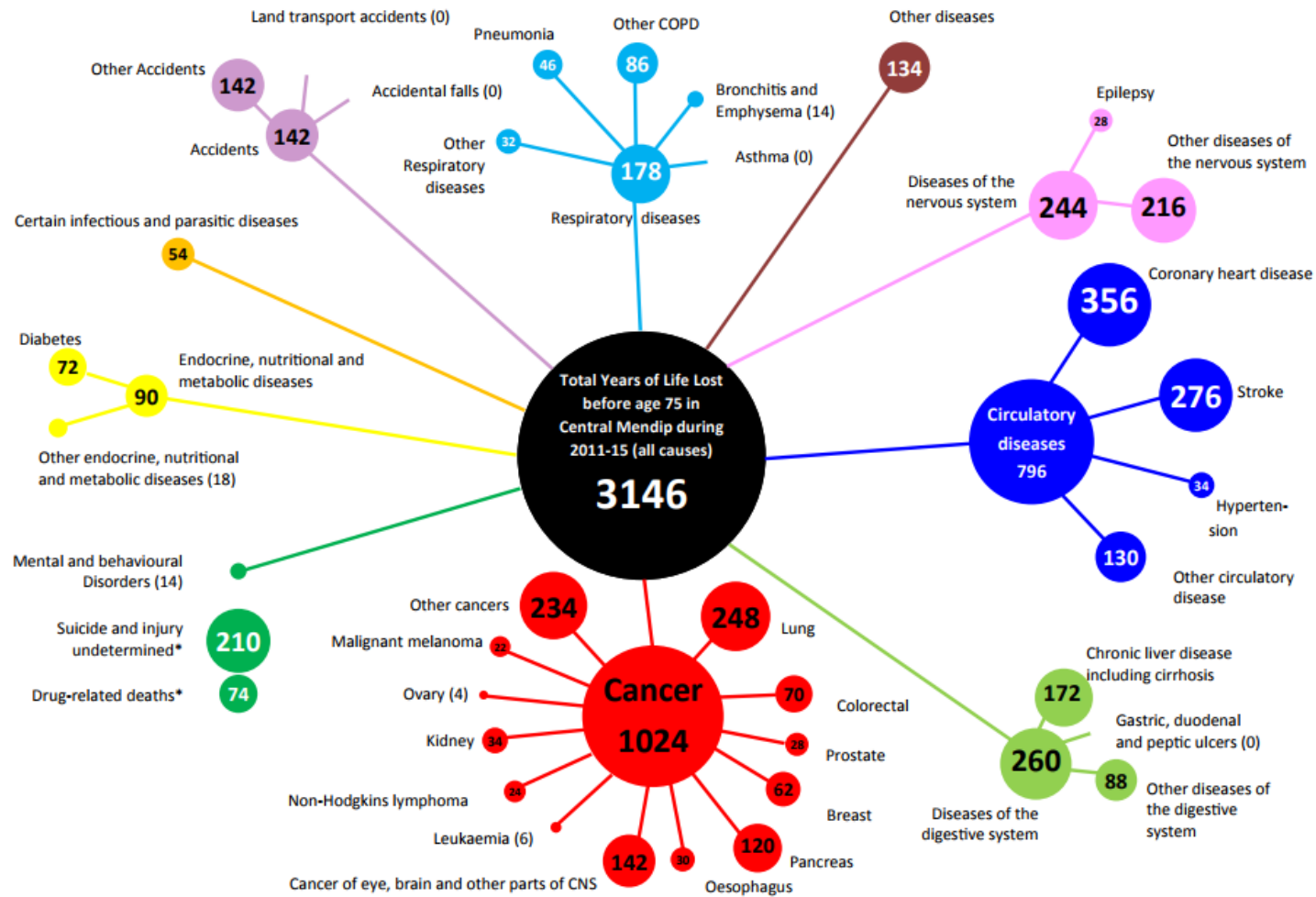


Figure 2: Years of life lost 'blobs' Central Mendip Commissioning Locality

Central Mendip Providers of Pharmaceutical Services 2017

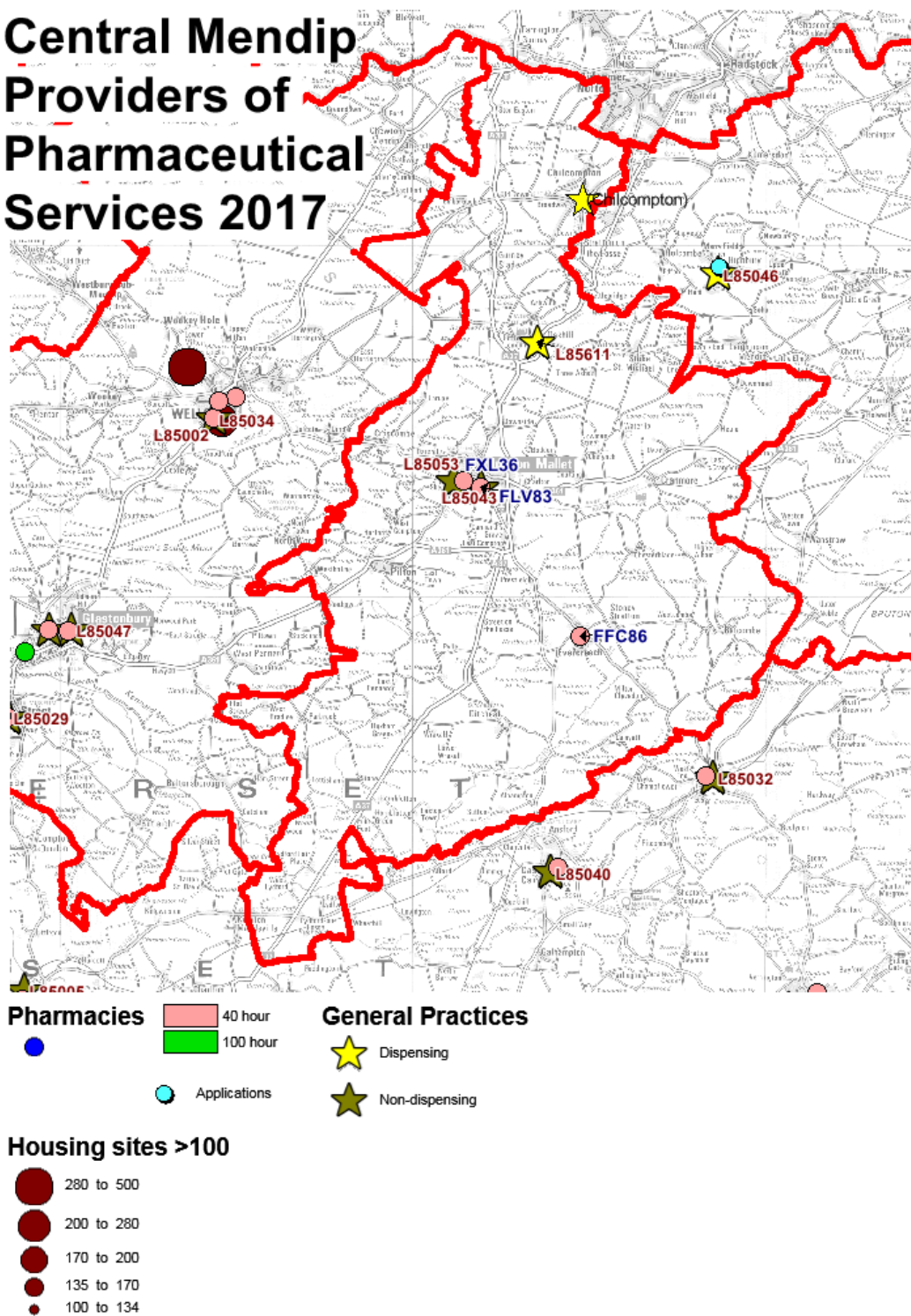


Figure 3: Central Mendip Commissioning Locality

Screening

The commissioning arrangements have changed for the NHS Health Checks programme. Of those eligible, 10.5% received a health check. In the most deprived quintile, 4.7% of the population received a check.

Breast screening rates are generally the worst in the county. Cervical screening rates for those aged 25-49 years old, at 71.3%, are similar to the county average of 72.3%. Practice based rates of chlamydia screening of eligible 15- 24 year olds was 4.1%, much higher than the Somerset average rate of 3.0%.

Immunisations

Immunisation rates for this year and last are shown on pp.44-5. MMR vaccination rates are below the target for herd immunity of 95%, with 93.4% vaccinated by age 20.

Childhood environment

Local breastfeeding initiation rates are 83.3% compared to 80.7% in Somerset. Continuation rates at 6-8 weeks are 49.3% compared to 49.4% in the county as a whole.

Excess weight

According to the underlying model used to assess appropriate childhood weight, only 15% children should be of excess weight. Somerset rates are 22.4% at age 4-5 years and 30.4% at age 10. For this Commissioning Locality, estimated rates are 22.7% and 30.6% for each age group. The percentage of adults in the area who are obese is 7.8% which is about average for the county.

Smoking

Despite a general reduction in smoking rates in adults in Somerset this remains our greatest public health challenge. The Commissioning Locality has 14.3% of adults over age 16 recorded as smokers compared to a 12.8% Somerset average. This is still one of the higher rates of smoking in Somerset but is much improved compared to last year. In 2015/16, only 40 per 1000 recorded smokers in Central Mendip went through cessation services compared to 79 per 1000 in 2013-15. This is a similar to average proportion compared to other Commissioning Localities but this number is dramatically down in absolute terms. Smoking in pregnancy remains a challenge and our county rates are still high compared to the rest of England.

Drugs and Alcohol

Hospital admissions for drug and alcohol related reasons are some of the lowest in Somerset. Alcohol related admissions: Central Mendip 1,685 per 100,000; Somerset 1,894 per 100,000. Drug related admissions: Central Mendip 103 per 100,000; Somerset 137 per 100,000. Hospital admission rates The hospitalisation section on pp.50-9, contains a wealth of data on reasons why the Central Mendip population access hospital services and whether on an emergency or elective basis. To focus on a few indicators, the emergency admission rate for falls in the over 65s is 34 per 1000 as compared to the Somerset average of 31 per 1000. The self-harm admission rate is 199 per 100,000 which is lower than average for the county.

Suggested public health priority areas

- Increase numbers of smokers referred to stop smoking services
- Improve bowel and breast cancer screening rates
- Continue focus on childhood excess weight

2.1.4 Details of GP surgeries

Code	Name	Address		Post code	Dispensing	Prescribing	Total
L85611	Oakhill Surgery	Shepton Road, Oakhill	Radstock	BA3 5HT	2,527	314	2,841
L85053	Grove House Surgery	West Shepton	Shepton Mallet	BA4 5UH	0	6,526	6,526
L85043	Park Medical Practice	Cannards Grave Road	Shepton Mallet	BA4 5RT	0	10,786	10,786
L81025	Chilcompton Surgery	Carter's Way	Chilcompton	BA3 4XH			

Chilcompton Surgery is a dispensing branch of St Chad's Surgery in Midsomer Norton, Bath and North East Somerset.

Significant housing developments 2018-20 – expected number of dwellings

Central Mendip	
Shepton Mallet	150
Rest of Locality	230
Sites so far unidentified	40
Total	420

2.1.5 Necessary services: current provision

Pharmacy

Code	Contract Name	Trading Name	Address	Post-code	100 Hour	Electronic Prescription Service available	Access to Summary Care Record	NHSmail address as at 2-6-17	Number of prescription fees paid	Of which items on electronic prescriptions	Elastic Hosiery items
FLV83	Boots pharmacy	Boots UK Ltd	The Park Medical Practice, Cannards Grave Road, Shepton Mallet	BA4 5RT	No	Yes	Yes		93860	59397	0
FXL36	Boots pharmacy	Boots UK Ltd	Unit 2b, Townsend Shopping Park, Shepton Mallet	BA4 5TZ	No	Yes	Yes		167578	97352	4
FFC86	Evercreech pharmacy	R H Pharma Ltd	Victoria Square, Evercreech, Shepton Mallet	BA4 6JP	No	Yes	Yes	Yes (NUMSAS OK)	52626	35205	0

In addition, residents in the north of the locality are also served by pharmacies in Radstock.

Dispensing Appliance Contractors

None

Dispensing doctor details

Contract Code	Contract Name	Address1	Address2	Address3	Post code	Opening Hours	Type
L85611	Oakhill Surgery	Shepton Road	Oakhill	Radstock	BA3 5HT	Monday- Friday 08.45-18.15	dispensing GP practice
L81025	Chilcompton Surgery	Carter's Way	Chilcompton	Radstock	BA3 4XH	Monday- Friday 08.00-18.00	dispensing GP practice branch

Notable provision from outside the locality

There are 100 hour pharmacies in Glastonbury to the west and Frome to the east of the locality.

Pharmacies and Items per head

	Number	Regd Patients	Per 10,000	Items dispensed	Items per head
Pharmacies	3	17626	1.7	314,064	17.8
Doctors' dispensaries	2	2527	7.9	37956	15.0
Central Mendip total	5	20153	2.5	352020	17.5
Somerset total	127	568159	2.2	10862687	19.1

The numbers of total outlet per head is slightly higher than the Somerset average, and the number of items dispensed per head is slightly lower. It should be noted that these are indicative, as dispensing practices' and pharmacies' prescribing is not identical; dispensing patients can also use community pharmacies; and there is no requirement for a particular number of pharmaceutical providers per head.

Transport/access assessment

The population weighted score for the locality on the Barriers to Housing and Services domain of the Index of Multiple Deprivation is 30.0 compared to a Somerset average of 25.2. This makes it the most deprived locality in Somerset on this basis. The distance element is partly offset by the lower ratio of pharmacy providers to population.

Opening hours coverage

Central Mendip – Weekday opening

	24 hrs	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Shepton Mallet																									
Boots, Park Medical Centre	FLV83									◐	●	●	●	●	◐	●	●	●	●	◐					
Boots, Townsend Shopping Park	FXL36									◐	●	●	●	●	●	◐	●	●	◐	◐					
Shepton Mallet	Core	None									At least one outlet open									None					
	Total	None									At least one outlet open									None					
Evercreech																									
Evercreech Pharmacy											●	●	●	●		●	●	●	●						
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Villages with Dispensing Practices only																									
Oakhill																									
Oakhill Surgery	L85611									◐	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	◐					
Chilcompton																									
Chilcompton Surgery	L81025									●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●					

Central Mendip	Core	None	At least one outlet open	None
	Total	None	At least one outlet open	None

Central Mendip – Saturday opening

	24 hrs	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Shepton Mallet																									
Boots, Park Medical Centre	FLV83										●	●	●	●											
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Central Mendip – Sunday opening

	24 hrs	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Shepton Mallet																									
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Key to Opening Hours diagrams

Community Pharmacies

- Open for whole hour - Core
- ◐ Open for first part of hour (usually 30 minutes) - Core
- ◑ Open for second part of hour (usually 30 minutes) - Core
- Open for whole hour – Supplementary
- ◐ Open for first part of hour (usually 30 minutes) – Supplementary
- ◑ Open for second part of hour (usually 30 minutes) - Supplementary

Dispensing GP Practices

- Open for whole hour, all or most weekdays
- ◐ Open for first part of hour (usually 30 minutes), all or most weekdays, or Saturday
- ◑ Open for second part of hour (usually 30 minutes), all or most weekdays, or Saturday
- Open for whole hour, minority of days per week
- ◐ Open for first part of hour (usually 30 minutes), minority of days per week
- ◑ Open for second part of hour (usually 30 minutes), minority of days per week

These diagrams are simplifications of sometimes complex opening times, in which several days in a week may have their own schedules. The definitive list of opening times is shown in Appendix 5.

Hospital pharmacies, walk-in centres, private pharmacies

There is a community hospital and minor injuries unit in Shepton Mallet.

Glastonbury Festival

Festival Medical Services operates two private pharmacies on the festival site at Pilton for the duration of the Glastonbury festival, which also have an LPS contract to allow the dispensing of NHS prescriptions if necessary although no NHS prescriptions have needed to be dispensed in the last couple of years. The LPS contract runs until 2019, following which NHS England will consider whether NHS dispensing is still needed at the festival.

2.1.6 Necessary services: gaps in provision

The health needs of Central Mendip are typical of Somerset as a whole, and the level of provision broadly comparable to the county average.

The 2015 Somerset PNA did not identify a gap in the provision of necessary services in Central Mendip, and the relatively limited changes since then do not suggest that a gap has emerged. The staggered lunchtimes of core hours in Shepton Mallet mean that provision is assured from 9AM to 6PM, and this is currently extended by 30 minutes in the morning and one hour in the evening by supplementary opening. Saturday morning opening is covered in core hours of the Boots pharmacy in Shepton, and this is extended into the afternoon by supplementary opening. Sunday opening is covered by Boots in Shepton Mallet, although only by supplementary opening.

Outside those hours the population of the locality is served by 100 hour pharmacies in Glastonbury and Frome.

All pharmacies in the locality provide MURs and two provide NMS. The access to specialist medicines enhanced service is available at pharmacies in the East Mendip and West Mendip localities.

On the basis of the information we have, we therefore conclude that there is no current gap in the provision of necessary services in Central Mendip.

The likely level of housebuilding is not expected to produce a level of population growth that cannot be provided for by existing providers, especially as the bulk of that housing development will be close to existing providers.

We note that Saturday afternoon and Sunday provision is dependent on supplementary hours provided by Boots in Shepton Mallet. We assess that if that situation were to change the neighbouring 100 hour pharmacies would be able to cover the potential gap, as they do for late evenings at present.

On the basis of the information we have, we therefore conclude that

there is no future gap in the provision of necessary services in Central Mendip.

Improvements or better access: gaps in provision

We note that the majority of advanced and locally commissioned services are available, although overwhelmingly in Shepton Mallet. Appliance Use Reviews and Stoma Appliance Customisations have not been provided in the locality although it is not clear whether that is the result of limited demand from a small population or lack of provision. We note that AURs are available in Central Mendip from visits by Dispensing Appliance Contractors, and from Acute Hospital trusts. There is no pharmacy provision of NHS healthchecks in the locality, and although one to one advice on smoking cessation is available, Champix is not. This is despite smoking cessation being identified as a local priority. We also note that Specialist Medicines Enhanced Service is not available, although it is available just outside the locality in Glastonbury and Frome.

We recommend that Somerset Public Health assures that NHS healthchecks are available to the population of Central Mendip; we understand that it need not be in pharmacies. We recommend that Somerset Public Health ensures the population of Central Mendip has access to Champix. We recommend that NHS England ensures that provision of the Specialist Medicines Enhanced Service in Glastonbury and Frome is adequate for the residents of Central Mendip. We have not identified any other current gaps in other relevant services.

The relatively limited growth in population means that we do not expect significant change in the demand for advanced services.

On the basis of the information we have, we do not assess there to be a future gap in other relevant services beyond that identified currently.