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PROPOSED APPLICATION FOR INCLUSION IN THE PHARMACEUTICAL LIST

NHS Grampian has been in consultation with A & L Porter Ltd who currently operate five successful community pharmacies in the Aberdeen area, regarding their proposed application for a new pharmacy to open on Venture Drive, Westhill, Aberdeenshire, AB32 situated across the road from McDonalds.

NHS Grampian has to consider if granting the application is necessary or desirable in order to secure adequate provision of pharmaceutical services in the neighbourhood in which the premises are located by persons whose names are included in the pharmaceutical list.

A & L Porter who wish to submit the application, has defined the neighbourhood as Westhill and Kirkton of Skene sitting within the boundary of the B979 road to the north, the A90 to the east, the B9119 to the south and the B9126 to the west.

A & L Porter plan to provide the following services from the pharmacy should the application be granted:

National Core Services - Dispensing of NHS and private prescriptions, Pharmacy First - including the enhanced Plus Service, Chronic Medication Service, Public Health Services (including Smoking Cessation, Emergency Hormonal Contraception and Health Promotion), Gluten Free Foods Service, Stoma Service, Unscheduled Care Service.

Locally Negotiated Services - Compliance Aid Provision, MAR Chart Provision, Care Home Medication Advice, Palliative Care Network, Substance Misuse Service and ancillary related services, Influenza Vaccination Service, Travel Vaccination Service including Malaria Prophylaxis, Secondary Care Medication Collection Hub, Medicinal Waste Collection Service, Hepatitis C Service.

The pharmacy will also provide a local Free Collection and Delivery Service as required along with services which are currently non NHS such as Blood Pressure Monitoring and Weight Management.

The proposed new pharmacy will be fully accessible, it will have:

- Two consultation rooms, one of which will be a full specification NHS treatment room, available for use by fellow health care professionals
- Drive Thru Pharmacy for patient convenience
- 12 parking spaces including some with electric charging points
- 24-hour prescription collection service using a secure automated prescription collection kiosk
- Robotic dispensing ensuring accurate and efficient dispensing times for prescriptions
- If medication is not in stock, the pharmacy will home-deliver when available to avoid a wasted journey
- Extended opening hours for patient convenience

The pharmacy will aim to work closely with the local Health and Social Care Partnership to provide the fullest levels of integrated patient care.

A & L Porter plan to provide these services at the following times:

Monday	-	8am – 7pm	Saturday	-	9am – 5pm
Tuesday	-	8am – 7pm	Sunday	-	10am – 3pm
Wednesday	-	8am – 7pm			
Thursday	-	8am – 7pm			
Friday	-	8am – 7pm			

NHS Grampian and A & L Porter are undertaking a joint public consultation. This consultation has two main purposes:

- a. to assess the current provision of pharmaceutical services in the neighbourhood and whether it is adequate
- b. to establish the level of support from residents in the neighbourhood for the application

In order to help NHS Grampian assess this application, people who may be affected and wish to be involved are invited to provide their views in respect of:

1. the pharmaceutical services to be provided by the proposed applicant;
2. gaps in existing pharmaceutical service provision;
3. the relationship and integration of the pharmaceutical services to be provided by the proposed applicant with other NHS funded services;
4. the potential for the pharmaceutical services to be provided by the proposed applicant to impact on other NHS funded services;
5. the neighbourhood to which the proposed application relates;
6. the location and proposed opening hours of the premises to which the joint consultation relates.

All comments received will be made anonymous but will be made available to interested parties during the statutory joint consultation exercise.

You can answer the questions using this link <https://bit.ly/3HfBuoU> or by scanning the QR Code below with your mobile phone:



Alternatively, you can

- write to us at Freepost, NHS Grampian (no stamp is required)
- e-mail your response to gram.involve@nhs.scot
- visit our website [Get Involved \(nhsgrampian.org\)](https://www.nhs.uk/get-involved) and click on 'Projects and Consultations'.

Please return your response by midnight 26 October 2022

For any enquiries regarding this consultation, please contact the Public Involvement Team by emailing gram.involve@nhs.scot

Thank you for taking part in this joint public consultation.