Section 2

1. Apologies
   There were no apologies

2. Minor Relocation
   Case No: MRELOC04/2017 – Boots UK Ltd 368 Dumbarton Road, Glasgow G11 6RZ to West End Retail Park, Crow Road, Glasgow G11 7RY

   The Committee having previously been circulated with the paper relating to the application noted that Boots UK Ltd had applied to relocate pharmaceutical services currently provided from 368 Dumbarton Road. Boots wished to move to alternative premises at West End Retail Park, Crow Road, Glasgow G11 7RY.

   The Lead Pharmacist, Community Care considered that the application fulfilled the criteria for minor relocation. The Greater Glasgow and Clyde Area Pharmaceutical Community
Pharmacy Sub-committee considered that the application did not fulfil the criteria for minor relocation.

The Committee noted that the location of the current premises pre-dated the Control of Entry regulations. There had however been previous applications from Boots UK Ltd to undertake this relocation which had been considered by the PPC as a relocation (not being minor). The last application had been considered in November 2006.

A site visit was undertaken during which the PPC visited both the current and proposed location, along with the surrounding area.

The PPC after careful deliberation defined the neighbourhood as:

North – Clarence Drive, east to Hyndland Road and Highburgh Road;
East – Highburgh Road where it met Byres Road, travelling south down Byres Road to Benalder Street and further to Beith Street;
South – Beith Street to Meadow Road and Dumbarton Road along to Thornwood Avenue;
West – Thornwood Avenue north to Crow Road, Clarence Drive to meet the North boundary.

That having been agreed, the PPC noted that both the Applicant’s current and proposed premises were located in the same neighbourhood and as such they could move on to consider whether the application fulfilled the criteria set out in Regulation of the Pharmaceutical Services (Scotland) Regulations 2009 as amended.

The PPC concluded that in terms of the first criteria – “one where there will be no significant change in the neighbourhood population in respect of which pharmaceutical services are provided by the applicant” the application failed. The PPC noted that the current pharmacy was situated on Dumbarton Road, which was a busy thoroughfare serving the indigenous population of the area commonly known as Partick. There were various shops along this stretch of road from local newsagents to banks and public houses which would be used predominantly by those residing in the immediate locality.

The Applicant’s proposed premises were situated within a retail park which was located away from Dumbarton Road. The facility contained several large outlets including Marks & Spencer, Sainsbury’s McDonalds and Argos. The range of shops would, in the PPCs opinion, attract users from further afield e.g. Bearsden, Thornwood and Broomhill. There was ample car parking in the retail park and the PPC considered that people from outwith the Partick area would resort to the retail park to avail themselves of the shops on offer. Accordingly, it was the PPC decision that the proposed premises would not serve the same neighbourhood population as the Applicant’s current premises.

The PPC further concluded that in terms of the second criteria – “other circumstances are such that there will be no significant effect on the pharmaceutical services provided by the applicant or any other person whose name is included in the pharmaceutical list of the Board.” the application also failed. The PPC noted that the Applicant’s current premises were a medium sized unit, while the proposed premises within the retail park were much larger. It could be argued that such a change could have
a significant effect on the services provided by the Applicant.

**DECIDED/-**

The PPC was satisfied that the application from Books UK Ltd did not fulfil the criteria required under Regulation 5(4) of the current Regulations. It was the majority decision of the PPC that the application be rejected.

3. **Pharmacy Practices Committee Remit 2018**

The Committee discussed the paper during which, it was agreed that no amendments were required prior to the Remit’s submission to the Health Board for approval.

**APPROVED/-**

4. **PPC Members Terms of Office**

The Committee having previously been circulated with the paper noted the contents which gave details of Mr Ian Mouat’s re-appointment from April 2018 for a term of 3 years.

**NOTED/-**

5. **Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Pharmacy Practices Committee will take place on Monday 19th March 2018.

The meeting ended at 1.00pm