

## Stakeholder Briefing - Update on Congleton Pharmacy

## Friday 19 October 2023

Last month Khalidoscope Services Ltd (KSL), the owners of Congleton Pharmacy, 62B Havannah Street, Buglawton, Congleton, Cheshire, CW12 2AT, were served 30 days' notice by NHS Cheshire and Merseyside of a proposal to remove them from the pharmaceutical list for Cheshire East.

This was due to the company's failure to meet the full legal requirements for the provision of NHS pharmacy services.

Since the company/contractor did not appeal this proposal, it has now been served 30 days' notice to close by NHS Cheshire and Merseyside – a period which ends on 5<sup>th</sup> November 2023.

This means that Congleton Pharmacy will cease trading on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023, unless an appeal is made by the company/contractor before this date.

NHS Cheshire and Merseyside will be informing local GP practices and other pharmacies in the area about the closure decision over the coming days.

We will also continue to work with Cheshire East Council's Health and Wellbeing Board to identify whether this will create a gap in NHS pharmacy provision for the area, and any next steps required to help address this.