

COMMUNITY PHARMACY THAMES VALLEY

Annual
Report

2024/25



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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

— IAN DUNPHY

This year has seen great changes within community pharmacy in an ever-challenging trading environment. It was pleasing to see how resilient the sector is considering huge changes in service provision, ever increasing overheads and patient numbers. We have seen the first full year of Pharmacy First being delivered alongside the pharmacy contraceptive service and hypertension case finding service. These core services form a base for community pharmacy to demonstrate that we can provide high quality patient centered care that is having a positive impact on our patients. I am confident these base services will develop in line with the new NHS 10 year plan as new and enhanced services are developed by CPE. In conjunction with new local services and the IP pathfinder pilots that are being rolled out across BOB and Frimley later this year this is making community pharmacy an exciting environment in which to practice and a major resource in primary care.

The team at CPTV have yet again delivered the support and training needed to help this to happen. Lots of hard work has been done by our small team and we are proud to roll out our academy suite of training resources. This will allow our community pharmacy professionals to develop and enhance their skills to provide the services that we deliver daily. In conjunction with the help and support the team gives to our community pharmacy PCN leads will help contractors to realise the rewards promised in the current contract and future contracts give the opportunity to make contractors successful.



CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

IAN DUNPHY

The academy will give pharmacy professionals the ability to network with their colleagues in community pharmacy enabling collaborations and strengthening the community pharmacy network.

Once again, this report gives me the welcome opportunity to thank all the committee members, officers and our LPC employees - David Dean our Chief Officer and Kevin Barnes our Contractor Support Officer - for all their continued hard work and support for our contractors and the committee for all their hard work throughout the previous year.

I would also like to thank Robert for his many years' service on the committee 10 of which were as Chair. He has overseen the merger of Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Berkshire LPCs to become the 5th largest LPC in the country representing contractors across Thames Valley. He also played a large role in preparing and training pharmacists to deliver the services that are the building blocks for community pharmacy now and in the coming years. We wish you all the best in your future endeavours.





CHIEF OFFICER REPORT

DAVID DEAN

Welcome to the 2024/25 Annual Report for Community Pharmacy Thames Valley. We are currently made up of 324 contractors across Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Berkshire. Thank you for all your hard work over the last 12 months, particularly given the current financial challenges that we are facing. The good news is that we saw the introduction of Pharmacy First, the Pharmacy Contraception Service and an update of the Hypertension Case-Finding Service. Kevin Barnes, our Contractor Support Officer will cover that in his report.

We also saw some new Pharmacy Contractors join us, some in new locations, others investing in existing Pharmacies.

Thanks also to the LPC Committee who, whilst running their own businesses or working with their own teams, still find time to attend our meetings and make key decisions.

In particular, I would like to thank our outgoing Chair, Robert Bradshaw who retired from the LPC in December 2024, and I would like to welcome Ian Dunphy, an independent pharmacist into the role of Chair. Following him into Vice Chair is James Famakin, and that means we also have a new Treasurer, Taofik Shodunke who started in April 2025. Thanks to all our Executive Officers old and new – it is an exciting time to join the LPC and we have many great ideas for the coming months!

I would also like to say a big thank you to my team – Kevin Barnes who has been working hard visiting pharmacies and building close relationships with many local surgeries, and to Lorna Girling, our new Engagement Officer, for diligently keeping our website updated, ensuring that important comms are sent out regularly, and updating LPC records and minuting meetings.



CHIEF OFFICER REPORT

— DAVID DEAN

The LPCs across the South-East have set up a working partnership to build on each other's successes and share best practice. Between us we represent over 1,500 pharmacies and we are working together with all key stakeholders. Community Pharmacy Thames Valley is also the Regional Lead for the South-East at the fortnightly Community Pharmacy England (CPE) National Meetings.

The LPC Committee met on 6 occasions over the course of the year, mostly face to face, and in the interest of cost efficiencies changed venues. In fact, considering all the challenges our contractors face, we are proud to have kept the levy at the same level now for 10 years. Despite being the 5th largest LPC we are the 8th cheapest for contractors. This is despite the fact that CPE increased their levy from the LPC by 50%.

Our work with BOB ICS and Frimley ICS has been fruitful, and with the help of our ICS colleagues we negotiated over £350k of commissioning for PCN leads, palliative care meds and minor ailments. They were also extremely supportive in helping us get the best out of our National Services. The structure will change in the coming months, with opportunities to work within "neighbourhoods" within a new Thames Valley ICB from early 2026.

Our work with our 8 Local Authorities has also been extremely successful, and they have helped us to develop robust contracts with our Opiate Substance Therapy providers and helped expand our reach with EHC.

Training remains an important part of our work, and we have delivered several successful webinars, with plans to do lots more – including face to face training for the new Emergency Contraception Service, and we are planning a groundbreaking Women's Health Event on Sunday 2nd November.

The LPC represents your interests so please do not hesitate to contact me, my team or the committee if we can be of any assistance to you, follow us on X (formerly known as Twitter) @Pharmacy_TV and join our very active Signal Group (email: office@cptv.org.uk).





TREASURER'S REPORT

**TAOFIK SHODUNKE /
IAN DUNPHY**

2024/25 has been a year of consolidation for the LPC as we build on the foundations laid last year. The contractor levy has remained the same average of £75.05 per contractor per month and has been consistently the 6th lowest LPC levy in the country. With our small team makes I think this represents good value considering the impact that The LPC has for contractors and the LPC community.

This has been the first year of the increased CPE levy of £69,890 every 6 months Compared to £58,020 of the previous year. With the increased number of contractors of CPTV this has had a lesser impact on our reserves than was first anticipated.

Reserves remain healthy at £167,629 but are now split across several banks to reduce our risk should there be an economic challenge. We are budgeting to have a £20,000 deficit for the forthcoming year but our healthy balance and the altered way we pay the CPE levy to monthly instalments I foresee that the LPC will be in a strong financial situation for years to come.

Training reserves are healthy at £70,325 and CPTV is in a good position to support contractors to upskill as service development becomes more of a focus with the introduction of the bundling of the Pharmacy Contraceptive Service , Hypertension Case Finding Service and Pharmacy First.



TREASURER'S REPORT

—— **TAOFIK SHODUNKE /
IAN DUNPHY**

There has been a reduction in training spending compared to last year but there are plenty of funds to support the LPC learning academy that will be active in the forthcoming year.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have supported me as my time as treasurer but now is the time to hand on the role to my colleague Taofik Shodunke. I wish him all the best as the new CPTV treasurer. He is an experienced independent contractor, and I am confident that the funds of the LPC are in good hands





PHARMACY SERVICES REPORT

— **KEVIN BARNES**

The past year (2024/2025) was an extremely challenging year, especially with the launch of Pharmacy First, Pharmacy Contraception service and an increased focus on the Hypertension Case Finding Service nationally. Community pharmacies assumed that there would be an increase in referrals from GP practices based on their experiences from GP CPCS. The opposite occurred as GP practices reduced their formal referrals and instead signposted patients to community pharmacies. Whilst walk-in patients were part of the Pharmacy First process, however, community pharmacies were not paid by consultations, only the outcome of a patient received medication for one of the 7 Pharmacy First Conditions.

Pharmacy First was launched with national advertising in February 2024, setting the scene for a successful service from April 2024. Most community pharmacies expected an increased GP practice referral, but over the year experienced reducing GP referrals. Eventually, most community pharmacies realised that if they were going to get their Pharmacy First threshold payments, then they would need to recruit their own patients. The staff needed to be trained even further to be identity which conditions required a pharmacist and which conditions they could deal with themselves with OTC medication.

The relaunch of Hypertension case finding service and community pharmacies expected of increased interaction with GP practices supporting their patients with the BP / ABPM testing. This was always seen as a win/win service for all concerned, patients/GP practices and community pharmacies. Like Pharmacy First, most BP tests were eventually recruited opportunistically with walk in patients. Our best month for BP tests was in October 2024, when patients were waiting to receive their vaccinations. The challenge is to ensure that those patients that require further investigation, get their ABPM test. The start of ABPM across community pharmacies, but with the change in the service for 2025/26, there should be vast improvement.



PHARMACY SERVICES REPORT — KEVIN BARNES

The Pharmacy Contraception Service was launched towards the beginning of 2024 and over 50% of community pharmacies were ready to support their patients with both initiation and supply with their contraception medication. Towards the end of 2024/25, over 75% of all community pharmacies had signed up. Collaboration between GP practices and community pharmacies needs to improve as there have been few successes however, community pharmacies could do more to support their GP practices and patients, so hopefully this collaboration improves in 2025/26. Some successful collaboration has been GP practices has text patients qualifying for the contraception service asking them to go to their own community pharmacy to get the normal contraception medication.

Locally, Community Pharmacy Thames Valley negotiated the following contracts:

A new Supervision and needle exchange contract was signed with:

- New Hope in Bracknell in April 2024
- One Recovery Buckinghamshire in April 2024
- Via in West Berkshire in April 2024
- CGL in Reading in December 2024.

A new needle exchange contract was signed with:

- Cranstoun for RBWM in April 2024

A new take home Naloxone service was signed with:

- Via in West Berkshire in April 2024
- Oxfordshire County Council / Turning Point from July 2024

A new EHC contract was signed in:

- Oxfordshire
- East Berkshire (Slough, Bracknell, and RBWM) from October 2024

Community Pharmacy Thames Valley is ideally placed to support all our contractors going not the next year, so please join our Signal Group, read our Weekly Digest, listen to our Podcast at Community Pharmacy Thames Valley Pharmacy Academy or watch our videos on our YouTube channel.

If you need any support, please do not hesitate to contact me.

LPC MEMBERSHIP AND ATTENDANCE AT FULL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

APRIL 2024 – MARCH 2025

Maximum attendance = 6

Officers

Chairman	Ian Dunphy	6
Vice Chairman	James Famakin	5
Treasurer	Taofik Shodunke	New

Staff

Chief Officer	David Dean	6
Contractor Services Officer	Kevin Barnes	5
Engagement Officer	Lorna Girling	5 (out of 5)

Members

AIMp	Danielle Brennan	6
AIMp	Corrin McParland	6
AIMp	Vikash Patel	4
CCA	Rian Kumari Lall	3 (out of 4)
CCA	Helen Egan	1 (out of 1)
CCA	Alex Stacey	5
CCA	Shelton Magunje	4 (out of 4)
Independent Contractor	Olivier Picard	5
Independent Contractor	Khal Khaliq	6
Independent Contractor	Taofik Shodunke	1 out of 1)

Members who left during the year

Engagement Officer	Amanda Dean	2 (out of 2)
Chairman	Robert Bradshaw	4 (out of 5)





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PODCASTS

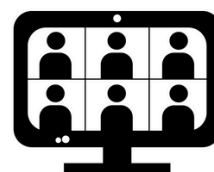
In 2025, the LPC proudly launched the Community Pharmacy Thames Valley (CPTV) – Pharmacy Academy Podcast Channel, a dynamic digital resource tailored to pharmacy contractors across the Thames Valley region. Designed to keep pharmacy professionals informed and engaged, the channel delivers weekly episodes focused on crucial pharmacy topics, including NHS updates, CPE developments, PGD guidance, and AI-enhanced analysis for clarity and accessibility. With 18 episodes already produced, the podcast has quickly become an essential tool for staying connected.

WEBINARS

Community Pharmacy Thames Valley (CPTV) Pharmacy Academy also introduced a Webinar Series, a targeted professional development initiative for pharmacy contractors across the region. Led by experienced pharmacist Clare Holland, in collaboration with the Local Pharmaceutical Committee (LPC) team, the series aims to enhance clinical service delivery and operational confidence through accessible, expert-led education. The initial webinars on the Pharmacy Contraception Service and Hypertension Case-Finding attracted excellent engagement from contractors within Thames Valley. Building on this success, two additional sessions focusing on the Emergency Contraception Service are scheduled for the coming months, with further webinars planned through to the end of the year.



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CONFERENCES

As part of its commitment to fostering professional growth and service excellence, Community Pharmacy Thames Valley (CPTV) is expanding its educational offerings to include a series of face-to-face conferences for pharmacy contractors. These sessions are designed to deliver practical, hands-on training in a supportive and professional setting. The first event, scheduled for 2nd November 2025 at the Holiday Inn, High Wycombe and will focus on women's health. CPTV anticipates the series will offer significant value to attendees, with additional conferences currently being planned throughout 2026 to further support contractor development.

CPTV IN FOCUS: ACHIEVEMENTS 2024/25

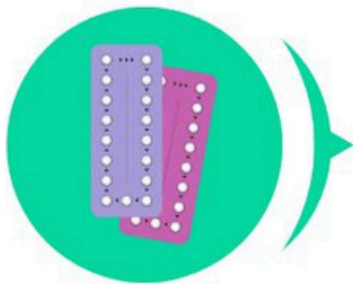


Item Growth

Over 301 million items dispensed to patients in our communities

Patient Support

Over 175,582 patients provided support through the Pharmacy First Service



Pharmacy Contraception Service

6,000 Pharmacy Contraception Service consultations provided to the community.

Vaccinations

Over 164,000 flu and 250,000 covid vaccinations provided for the community



Hypertension

Over 72,000 blood pressures taken and 5,000 Ambulatory Blood Pressure Monitoring

New Medicine Consultations

160,000 New Medicine consultations



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REGISTERED NUMBER
10215196

Thames Valley Local Pharmaceutical Committee

Accounts

31 March 2025



Thames Valley Local Pharmaceutical Committee Company Information

Members

I Dunphy (Chair)
J Famakin (Vice Chair)
T Shodunke (Treasurer)
C McParland
V Patel
K Khaliq
S Magunge
O Picard
A Stacey
D Brennan
H Egan

Accountants

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Registered Number

10215196



**Thames Valley Local Pharmaceutical Committee
Accountants' Report**

**Accountants' report to the director of
Thames Valley Local Pharmaceutical Committee**

You consider that the company is exempt from an audit for the year ended 31 March 2025. You have acknowledged, on the balance sheet, your responsibilities for complying with the requirement of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts. These responsibilities include preparing accounts that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company at the end of the financial year and of its profit or loss for the financial year.

In accordance with your instructions, we have prepared the accounts which comprise the Profit and Loss Account and the Balance Sheet from the accounting records of the company and on the basis of the information and explanation you have given to us.

We have not carried out an audit or any other review, and consequently we do not express any opinion on these accounts.

DR Hicks
Chartered Accountants

107 Penn Hill Road
Bath
BA1 3RU

16 May 2025



**Thames Valley Local Pharmaceutical Committee
Accounts
31 March 2025**

**Thames Valley Local Pharmaceutical Committee
Detailed profit and loss account items
for the year ended 31 March 2025**

This schedule does not form part of the statutory accounts

	2025 £	2024 £
Sales		
NHSBSA (Statutory Levy)	292,704	335,453
Training grant	15,750	50,303
Sponsorship	-	-
PharmOutcomes	-	-
HLP grant	-	-
Misc	-	-
Misc - NHS England	-	-
Misc -WEAHSN	-	-
	<u>308,454</u>	<u>385,756</u>
Other income		
Interest receivable	<u>960</u>	<u>1,087</u>
Staff costs		
Wages and salaries	156,018	155,574
Pensions	5,756	5,634
Employee expenses	<u>3,115</u>	<u>3,927</u>
	<u>164,889</u>	<u>165,135</u>
Other charges		
General administrative expenses:		
Stationery and printing	171	530
Payroll services	94	690
Software	1,440	1,116
LPC Meeting expenses	26,315	22,227
Insurance	500	601
PSNC Levy	130,224	101,341
Contractor training	23,163	18,932
Advertising	-	-
Online communications	1,440	6,600
Phone and internet charges	2,326	1,360
Fax service	-	-
Misc	215	367
Bank charges	<u>9</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>185,897</u>	<u>153,764</u>
Legal and professional costs:		
Accountancy fees	3,895	2,115
Data protection fee	35	35
Other legal and professional	<u>660</u>	<u>630</u>
	<u>4,590</u>	<u>2,780</u>
	<u>190,487</u>	<u>156,544</u>

**Thames Valley Local Pharmaceutical Committee
Accounts
31 March 2025**

Thames Valley Local Pharmaceutical Committee
Registered number: 10215196
Balance Sheet
as at 31 March 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
Current assets	251,372	291,444
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(12,218)	(6,146)
Net current assets	239,154	285,298
Total assets less current liabilities	239,154	285,298
Net assets	239,154	285,298
Capital and reserves	239,154	285,298
	Number	Number
Average number of employees	3	3

The members are satisfied that the company is entitled to exemption from the requirement to obtain an audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Act.

The members acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the micro entity provisions of the Companies Act 2006 and FRS 105, The Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the Micro-entities Regime. The accounts have been delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime. The profit and loss account has not been delivered to the Registrar of Companies.

D Dean
Treasurer
Approved by the board on 16 May 2025



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Thames Valley Local Pharmaceutical Committee Accounts 31 March 2025

Thames Valley Local Pharmaceutical Committee Detailed balance sheet items as at 31 March 2025

This schedule does not form part of the statutory accounts and will NOT be sent to HMRC

	2025 £	2024 £
Current assets		
Other debtors	-	6,988
Cash at bank and in hand	251,372	284,456
	<u>251,372</u>	<u>291,444</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		
Corporation tax	299	-
Other creditors	11,919	6,146
	<u>12,218</u>	<u>6,146</u>
Capital and reserves		
Profit and loss account	239,154	285,298
Profit and loss account		
Brought forward	285,298	220,134
Profit	(46,144)	65,164
	<u>239,154</u>	<u>285,298</u>



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