



# Gateshead & South Tyneside Local Pharmaceutical Committee

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Dear Contractor

## **Vote to amend the constitution of Gateshead & South Tyneside Local Pharmaceutical Committee**

The LPC is your local representative committee providing representation, information and support to NHS pharmacy contractors in our area. The LPC wishes to change its constitution to bring it line with all other LPC's nationally due to changes in the NHS.

The current LPC constitution is being amended to update the provisions to include: collaborative working with other LPCs, preparation of annual budget, support for contracting vehicles (Ltd Co.), replacement of 8% rule for determining certain places on the LPC with proportionality, information sharing with NHS England and improvements to the election process.

Amending the LPC constitution requires a special meeting of contractors. Our current constitution allows this to be held virtually via our website. This letter gives you the formal notice of the this process.

All contractors have the right to vote on this constitution change however CCA pharmacies (Company Chemists / Multiples) will be doing this centrally via the company head office. If you work for any of the following companies no further action needs to be taken as your head office reps will have been contacted.  
•Asda •Boots •Co-operative •Lloyds •Morrisons •Rowlands •Sainsbury's •Superdrug •Tesco .

All other contractors will need to follow the process below.

1. Visit the LPC Website. [www.gandstlpc.net/egm2015](http://www.gandstlpc.net/egm2015)
2. Download a copy of the new proposed constitution
3. Review the proposed constitution
4. Accept/Reject the new proposed constitution via the online voting form.
5. Add any comments and submit.

**If you are not able to vote on behalf of your company please forward to an authorised person e.g. area manager or contract owner.**

The amendments have all been approved by your LPC and we trust that you will agree to the amendments so that we can continue to improve the support and representation we provide to you and all the contractors represented by the LPC.

Should you have any queries about this please don't hesitate to contact the committee via myself or the LPC website.

Yours sincerely,

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