



“30 hours” free early education and childcare (FEEC) events

April & May 2017

Introductions & housekeeping

- Introductions
- Fire exits
- Toilets
- Mobile phones
- Respectful
- Questions (post-it notes)

Aims of the session

1. Understanding 30 hours, includes;
 - Criteria
 - Sufficient places & current gaps
 - How to register your provision
 - How parents apply & how to claim funding
2. Working together for the benefit of children and families, an opportunity to network & explore partnership working

What is 30 hours?

- All 3 and 4 year olds are entitled to 15 hours FEEC
- From September 2017 an additional 15 hours of free childcare will be available for working parents who meet the government's criteria:
 1. Both parents must be working or the sole parent is working in a lone parent family
 2. Each parent earns, on average, a weekly minimum equivalent to 16 hours at national minimum wage or national living wage and less than £100,000 p.a.

[note parent does not have to be working 16 hours]

Sufficiency – where we are now

- Providers submitted expressions of interest (E of I) to expand places (3 categories – up to £3K / £3K to £20K / £20K+) *Some providers have already expanded without funding*
- Feasibility enquiries/visits on category 1 & 2 E of I's
- Capital required in one ward where no other solution
- Invited application for grant in priority areas where funding is the only option, three have gone out so far to a nursery, playgroup and a childminding business
- Revising gaps as solutions develop or responding to changes in the market e.g. new provision & closures

Sufficiency – how can you help?

- Carry out parent surveys to assess local need
- Understanding your proposals helps us to plan - we do not want to support expansion in an area if you can do it – **please let us know your intentions**
- If you have already submitted an E of I at no cost please confirm with us that you intend to go ahead with your proposals (send an email to childcare.sufficiency@kirklees.gov.uk)
- We continue to accept category 1 & 2 E of I's
- If you cannot do it on your own explore working in partnerships

Delivery

Statutory Guidance parameters:

- Between 6am and 8pm
- Maximum 10 hours a day
- No minimum session subject to Ofsted EY register requirements
- Maximum of 2 sites per day (not 2 providers)
- Stretch example – 22 hours over 51 weeks

Quality of Provision

Local Authorities are required to fund early education and childcare provision purely on the basis of their Ofsted judgement as follows:

Two year olds	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Providers judged good and outstanding by Ofsted• Where there are not sufficient places, requires improvement providers will be considered
Three and four year olds	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Providers judged requires improvement, good and outstanding by Ofsted

The expectation is that all providers work towards a good or above Ofsted judgement

How to register for FEEC

1. PVI providers must be included on the Ofsted Early Years Register and comply with the terms and conditions outlined in the ***Kirklees Agreement*** and the ***Provider Guide**** , if you wish to register send an email to feecteam@kirklees.gov.uk
2. You will be given access to the online Provider Portal to submit the Kirklees Agreement and your bank details to complete your registration
3. We will confirm registration & next steps by email

* *[Delivery of Free Early Education and Care for two, three and four year olds – A Guide for Private, Voluntary and Independent Providers or LA Maintained Schools].*

Funding

- **Basic hourly rate** for 3&4 yr olds protected at **£4.19** for 2017/18, will reduce to £4.14 in 2018/19

Additional funding

- **Deprivation Supplement** based on IDACI (Income Deprivation Affecting Children Index) **£0.06 to £0.26** p/hr (universal 15 hour entitlement only – parent declaration)
- **Early Years Pupil Premium (EYPP)** Income benefits & LAC **£0.53** p/hr (universal 15 hour entitlement only – parent declaration)
- **Disability Access Fund (DAF)** – new from April 2017. **£615** per year for children in receipt of disability living allowance (DLA), parent to nominate provider if attends more than one

How do parents apply?

- Parents will apply using the national online service www.childcare.tax.service.gov.uk/
- **Opened Friday 21st April**
- Eligible parents will be given a code which will be valid for 3 months
- Parents will need to re-confirm their eligibility towards the end of the 3 month period, HMRC will send reminders to parents
- If parents fails to re-confirm or they are no longer eligible, a grace period will apply

Grace Periods

Date parent receives ineligible notification	Local Authority re-check date	Grace period end date
1 January – 10 February	11 February	31 March
11 February – 31 March	1 April	31 August
1 April – 26 May	27 May	31 August
27 May – 31 August	1 September	31 December
1 September – 21 October	22 October	31 December
22 October – 31 December	1 January	31 March

Confirming eligibility & claiming funding

Via online provider portal

1. Providers will need the **30 hour eligibility code**, **parents NI number** and **child's date of birth** to enter in the portal [eligibility code is 11 digits starting 5000, note the parents childcare account ID is also 11 digits starting 5000]
2. The portal will link to the national checking system and confirm whether the parent/child is eligible, if eligible you will be able to claim up to 30 hours

Schools as Community Hubs

Partnerships through the age range



Health visitors
Family
workers



Child care
settings and
nurseries



Primary
schools



Secondary
School



Post 16



Voluntary and community sector

What does a Kirklees School as Community Hub look like? Green is good to go

- A named partnership
- Named Leader/s
- Named “go to” person - Partnership Coordinator
- Multiagency meetings up and running (children and families supported by the partnership)
- Community Forums (A wide and diverse range of partners, including childcare provider representatives. Developing end of end, all year round enrichment opportunities for children and families.

Blended childcare concept

For children, families and providers :

- Shared support for children with SEND
- Joint problem solving
- Improved & consistent transitions
- Improved outcomes
- Consistency for children and effective communication
- Trust respect and confidence

Challenges and Opportunities

- Recognise funding is a challenge for some
- Recognise that this will limit flexibility to an extent – parents cannot have everything they want
- However – businesses who do not listen to their customers put their future at risk
- So – **striking a balance is important**

Risk

- Current places are not convenient for working parents – particularly sessional and 38 week provision
- Sustainability is a challenge

National surveys tell us that the most important factor used by parents to select a childcare provider is:

CONVENIENCE

Opportunities

- To work in partnership with other providers offering seamless services which are convenient to working parents
- Fill quieter times e.g. school holidays for a private day nursery
- Retain individual provider identity, advertising unique selling points AND advertising opportunities for parents to use a blend of other providers.
- Joint marketing?

Example

- School offers flexible nursery provision with linked lunches, 38 weeks a year
- In the school prospectus are details of:
 - an afterschool club run by a third party in the school
 - a local private day nursery that can provide holiday provision (filling a quieter time)
 - information about childminder services with link to the Kirklees childcare search facility to help parents get the most up to date information
- Hub website provides information about all childcare providers, the services they offer including blended childcare options

Any Questions?

Local Childcare Plan – your 30 hour offer / partnerships

Group exercise

Getting ready for 30 hours

- Visit www.childcareworks.co.uk/resources 'Getting ready for 30 hours January 2017'
- Have you considered how 30 hours will work in your setting and what you will offer families?
- Have you carried out your market research?
- Parent survey template – www.kirklees.gov.uk/30hourschildcare
- New website www.childcarechoices.gov.uk for parents and providers

Next steps

1. Market research
2. Think about your offer
3. Contact other providers you may be able to partner with
4. Register for FEEC Funding
5. Tell us what your offer is – online form

Contact details

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