

Resident Impact Assessment

Children's Centres for Children aged 0-5

People

1. What are the intended outcomes of this policy, function etc?

Islington Early Years and Childcare seeks to procure community Children's Centre's for children aged 0-5 and their families. Children's Centre's offer children, families and carers a range of Early Intervention and Prevention Services such a nursery provision, stay and play, midwifery and health visiting.

The current contract for these services come to an end on 28 February 2023 and there are no further options to extend so a full procurement exercise is required. The service specification will largely remain the same given the success of the current model however, its effectiveness will be reviewed with the support of Bright Start colleagues.

2. Resident Profile

Who is going to be impacted by this change i.e. residents/service users/tenants? Please complete data for your service users. If your data does not fit into the categories in this table, please copy and paste your own table in the space below. Please refer to **section 3.3** of the guidance for more information.

		Borough profile	Service User profile
		Total: 206,285	Total: 553
Gender	Female	51%	74.3%
	Male	49%	24.8%
Age	Under 16	32,825	36.7%
	16-24	29,418	3.4%
	25-44	87,177	56.6%
	45-64	38,669	1.6%
	65+	18,036	N/a
Disability	Disabled	16%	No data
	Non-disabled	84%	No data
	LGBT	No data	No data

Sexual	Heterosexual/straight	No data	No data
Race	BME	52%	64.4%
	White	48%	26.8%
Religion or belief	Christian	40%	No data
	Muslim	10%	No data
	Other	4.5%	No data
	No religion	30%	No data
	Religion not stated	17%	No data

3. Equality impacts

With reference to the [guidance](#), please describe what are the equality and socio-economic impacts for residents and what are the opportunities to challenge prejudice or promote understanding?

There will be no changes made to the service specification that would impact on people with a protected characteristic. The proposed procurement will entail supporting the delivery of a number of key services into Children’s Centres.

These services will include elements of statutory and non-statutory support and provide holistic, multi-disciplinary services which improve the overall health, wellbeing and development of children age 0-5 and their families.

These services support the achievement of key Public Health outcomes for ‘best start in life’ including;

- Promoting maternal health and wellbeing, starting from conception up to the first year of a child's life, through a programme of work called the “First 21 months”
- Improving uptake of childhood immunisations
- Promoting healthy weight, through reducing child obesity and increasing physical activity
- Improving children’s oral health
- Improving mental health and wellbeing amongst children and families
- Reducing alcohol and substance misuse
- Reducing smoking prevalence and promoting smoke free homes
- Reducing teenage pregnancy and supporting teenage parents
- Improving learning and development outcomes for children at age 5

The intended service will have a positive impact on children age 0-5 and their families. We will use this opportunity to review the specification and look at ways in which we can increase our reach into communities of people with a protected characteristic. This includes;

- Further engagement and reach to the Somali community and the services who support them

- Further engagement and reach to the Turkish and Kurdish community and the service who support them
- Delivering intervention and prevention services to those most at need, improving health and good levels of development
- Increasing the uptake of eligible 2-year-old and 3- and 4-year-old places in nursery

4. Safeguarding and Human Rights impacts

a) Safeguarding risks and Human Rights breaches

Please describe any safeguarding risks for children or vulnerable adults AND any potential human rights breaches that may occur as a result of the proposal? Please refer to **section 4.8** of the [guidance](#) for more information.

If potential safeguarding and human rights risks are identified then **please contact equalities@islington.gov.uk to discuss further:**

5. Action

How will you respond to the impacts that you have identified in sections 3 and 4, or address any gaps in data or information?

For more information on identifying actions that will limit the negative impact of the policy for protected groups see the [guidance](#).

Action	Responsible person or team	Deadline
Early Years & Childcare colleagues to review the service specification	Natalie Blenman & Bright Start colleagues	January 2022
To gather feedback from parent champions and include relevant changes in the service specification	Natalie Blenman & Parent Champion Co-ordinator	February 2022

Please send the completed RIA to equalities@islington.gov.uk and also make it publicly available online along with the relevant policy or service change.

This Resident Impact Assessment has been completed in accordance with the guidance and using appropriate evidence.

Staff member completing this form:

Head of Service or higher:



Signed: _____

Signed: _____

Date: 20/09/2021

Date: 08/12/2021