

# Early Years Entitlement Expansion and Wraparound Project Board Meeting

Thursday 27 March 2025

1pm – 2.30pm

Via Teams

# Agenda Items



| Item | Description                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Lead                                                                                                                                                          |
|------|---------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1    | Welcome Apologies and Introductions                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Head of Early Years, Childcare and School Readiness Service                                                                                                   |
| 2    | Setting the Scene                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Head of Early Years, Childcare and School Readiness Service                                                                                                   |
| 3    | Finance Update                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Strategic Finance Manager                                                                                                                                     |
| 4    | DfE School Based Nurseries Update                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Senior Adviser Quality Improvement                                                                                                                            |
| 5    | New Statutory Guidance                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Head of Early Years, Childcare and School Readiness Service                                                                                                   |
| 6    | Early Years Data Source                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Senior Adviser Inclusion & Vulnerable Groups<br>Huntingdon Early Years Area Education Officer<br>Senior Adviser Quality Improvement                           |
| 7    | Risk and Issues Update                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Project Manager                                                                                                                                               |
| 8    | Highlight Report including:                             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Achievements and Planned Activity</li> <li>Milestones</li> <li>Risks and Issues</li> <li><u><a href="#">Wraparound Support and Development</a></u> including update on supply and demand for funded breakfast clubs</li> <li><u><a href="#">Early Years Places</a></u> and <u><a href="#">Capital Grant Update</a></u> including focus on fall in birth rate data and areas where we may not have enough early years places and new hot spot areas.</li> <li><u><a href="#">Funding Processes</a></u> including an update on EYES.</li> </ul> | Senior Adviser Intervention, Safeguarding and Sustainability<br>Senior Adviser Inclusion & Vulnerable Groups<br>Huntingdon Early Years Area Education Officer |
| 9    | Closure Report: Early Years Support Advice and Guidance |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Senior Adviser Quality Improvement                                                                                                                            |
| 10   | Minutes of the last meeting                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Project Manager                                                                                                                                               |
| 11   | AOB                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Head of Early Years, Childcare and School Readiness Service                                                                                                   |



# Setting the Scene

Head of Early Years, Childcare and School  
Readiness Service

# Role of the Local Authority

## Early Years, Childcare & School Readiness Service



### Early education and childcare - GOV.UK

The remit of the service is set out within Government Statutory Guidance and includes:

- To secure sufficient childcare for working parents (or those studying or training), including wraparound childcare.
- To secure early years provision free of charge \*
- To provide information, advice and assistance to parents and prospective parents.
- To publish certain sector information at prescribed intervals.
- To provide information, advice, and training to childcare providers.
- To improve the outcomes of all children under 5 and reduce inequalities.

*\* The guidance applies to:*

- *the 15 hour entitlement for the most disadvantaged 2 - year-olds ('disadvantaged 2 -year-olds entitlement')*
- *the 15 hour entitlement for parents of 3- and 4-year-olds (the 'universal entitlement')*
- *the working parent entitlements, which include:*
  - *the 30 hour entitlement for eligible working parents of 3 and 4-year-olds*
  - *from April 2024, the 15 hour entitlement for children aged 2 years of eligible working parents*
  - *from September 2024, the 15 hour entitlement for children aged 9 months of eligible working parents*
  - *from September 2025, the 30 hour entitlement for children aged 9 months of eligible working parents*

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# National expansion of Early Years Funded Entitlement and Wraparound Childcare



- From April 2024, all working parents of 2-year-olds can access 15 hours per week.
- From September 2024, all working parents of children aged 9 months up to 3 years old can access 15 hours per week.
- From September 2025 all working parents of children aged 9 months up to 3 years old can access 30 hours free childcare per week; and
- 8-6 wraparound childcare for all primary aged children from September 2024.

# Governance

