

# Hampshire County Council Childcare Sufficiency Quarter 4 period and Annual Update for 2017-18

**Area:** New Forest  
**Period:** 1 April 2017 – 31 March 2018  
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## 1. Area demographic profile

This information is provided by the Services for Young Children New Forest Local Development Team (LDT) and indicates any known changes in the demographic profile in the area. Some of the data may not be statistical but what is known locally from networking with agencies and settings.

<p>Number and ages of children</p> <p><i>(Source: Small Area Population Forecast) Data last updated 1/4/16</i>  <a href="http://www.hants.gov.uk/planning/factsandfigures/population-statistics/small-area-pop-stats.htm">http://www.hants.gov.uk/planning/factsandfigures/population-statistics/small-area-pop-stats.htm</a></p>	<p>According to new data that will update Hampshire’s Small Area Population Forecast there are a total of: <b>7,890</b> children aged 0-4 year in 2018 and an anticipated <b>7,984</b> in 2024. This shows some stability of the population of children within this age range over the next 6 years</p> <p><b>18,599</b> 5-14 years and <b>18,961</b> in 2020. This indicates an increase of 362 within this age range over the next 3 years and an increase of 1.9% This in turn will have an impact on childcare and school places in the district which is outlined in the School Places Framework 2017 – 2021  <a href="http://documents.hants.gov.uk/childrens-services/HampshireSchoolPlacePlan2017-2021.pdf">http://documents.hants.gov.uk/childrens-services/HampshireSchoolPlacePlan2017-2021.pdf</a></p>
<p>Lone parents – worklessness data</p> <p>Source:          Labour Market Bulletin</p> <p><a href="http://www.hants.gov.uk/factsandfigures/figures-economics/hants_labour_market/archive.htm">http://www.hants.gov.uk/factsandfigures/figures-economics/hants_labour_market/archive.htm</a></p>	<p>According to the monthly Hampshire Labour Market Bulletin the percentage of benefit claimants in New Forest district during this reporting period are as follows: Over the year there has been an increase of 220 claimants, it may be that due to the phased roll out of Universal Credit to some parts of the New Forest district this may have had an impact on unemployment benefit claimant numbers.</p> <p>April 685 (0.7%)          May 680 (0.7%)          June 680 (0.6%)          July 660 (0.7 %)          Aug 710 (0.7%)</p>

	<p>Sept 745 (0.7%)  October 775 (0.8%)  November 805 (0.8%)  December 820 (0.8%)  January 850 (0.8%)  February 920 (0.9%)  March 905 (0.9%)</p> <p>Overall there has been a 0.2 % increase although this is minimal this is a rise on what had previously been a constant figure. However it should be noted that often there are changes in the district influenced by the seasonal employment opportunities.</p>															
<p>Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) 2 year olds</p> <p>Source: HCC Spring 2017 Early Years Tool Headcount</p>	<p>DWP data set for autumn 2017 indicated that there were 457 children eligible for the two year old Early Years Education Funding. From the EYE take up data autumn funding period there has been 283 claims within this reporting period therefore conversion 62% of places. The majority of these eligible children are due to meeting the economic criteria, with small numbers of children meeting the eligibility for high level SEND (3.1%) and local after child criteria (5.6%). The two year old funded children continue to be from all ward areas of the district with the highest numbers in the Fernhill, Hythe, Holbury and North Blackfield, Pennington Ringwood South and Totton wards.</p>															
<p>Employment profiles and income:</p> <p>Source:  <a href="https://www.nomisweb.co.uk/reports/lmp/la/1946157307/report.aspx?town=new forest">https://www.nomisweb.co.uk/reports/lmp/la/1946157307/report.aspx?town=new forest</a></p>	<p>Population 16-74 (2016) = 179,000  Number aged 16-64 = 100,500  Number economically active = 85,000  Percentage working = 80.3%</p> <p>New Forest Employment breakdown</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="786 1581 1396 1827"> <tr> <td>Employed</td> <td>84,100</td> <td>79.4%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Employees</td> <td>66,800</td> <td>64.5%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Self Employed</td> <td>16,500</td> <td>14.1%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Economically inactive</td> <td>20,100</td> <td>19.1%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Looking after home / family</td> <td>4,500</td> <td>22.3%</td> </tr> </table> <p>Average gross weekly earning  All workers £574.90 in 2017  (Source; NOMIS Official Labour Market Statistics  <a href="https://www.nomisweb.co.uk/reports/lmp/la/1946157307/report.aspx?town=new forest">https://www.nomisweb.co.uk/reports/lmp/la/1946157307/report.aspx?town=new forest</a></p>	Employed	84,100	79.4%	Employees	66,800	64.5%	Self Employed	16,500	14.1%	Economically inactive	20,100	19.1%	Looking after home / family	4,500	22.3%
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Hampshire Labour Market Bulletin indicates 905 claiming unemployment benefits in the New Forest in March 2018.

### **Job Creation and Planned Developments**

*Latest update*

**Bright Horizons** has acquired **Yellow Dot**, the **Hampshire-based** group of 12 nurseries. [10-Apr-2018]

**Aura Technology** is planning to create 40 jobs at its new IT services business in **Southampton**. [27-Feb-2018]

**Radio Taxis Southampton** is to create up to 40 jobs at a new taxi business in Eastleigh next month. [07-Feb-2018]

**Associated British Ports** is to expand its port operations in Southampton, having acquired the 41-acre **Eling Wharf site in Totton** in a multi-million pound deal. [30-Jan-2018]

**Southampton Solent University** is planning to open a new digital and creative innovation centre by 2020, with the creation of 500 jobs over ten years. [03-Jan-2018]

**Aston Martin** has submitted plans to build a multi-million pound 1,300 sq m car showroom at the former Ford site in **Southampton**. [12-Dec-2017]

**PegasusLife** has acquired Renaissance Retirement, the **Ringwood**-based retirement home developer, taking its total number of sites to more than 70. [16-Jan-2018]

**Fairline Yachts** is planning to invest £30m in a new motor yacht factory due to open at **Hythe** in Hampshire next summer, with the creation of 200 jobs. [05-Dec-2017]

**Lucketts Group** has acquired Solent Coaches, the **Ringwood**-based coach firm with 19 staff. [06-Dec-2017]

**MHI Vestas Offshore Wind** is to open a wind turbine blade painting and storage facility at the former **Fawley** Power station site in Hampshire by April, with the creation of up to 50 jobs. [09-Nov-2017]

**GE** is planning to open a renewable technology

research and development facility at **Woolston** in Southampton, with the creation of more than 100 jobs. [12-Oct-2017]

**Tesco** is to create more than 70 new jobs at its distribution centre in **Southampton**, including 50 warehouse staff and 20 HGV drivers. [09-Oct-2017]

**MEL Group** has acquired Redmayne Engineering, the Hampshire-based precision engineering firm with 77 staff and sites in **Lymington and Romsey**, for undisclosed terms. [02-Oct-2017]

**Promega** is planning to build an 18,000 sq ft headquarters for its scientific research business at the University of Southampton Science Park in **Chilworth**, with the creation of 50 jobs. [17-Aug-2017]

**Grant Thornton** is planning to open a collaborative office for its accounting business and 65 staff at University of Southampton Science Park in **Chilworth** next month. [17-May-2017]

**Galliford Try** has acquired Drew Smith, the **Southampton**-based building firm with 80 staff, for undisclosed terms. [17-May-2017]

**Shorefield Holidays** has acquired Kelston Holiday Park in **Milford-on-Sea**, as part of an expansion plan. [10-May-2017]

**Mayflower Theatre** is looking to raise £1.4m funding towards £3.9m refurbishment of its theatre in **Southampton**. [25-Apr-2017]

### **Potential job losses**

**Michelmersh Brick** has ceased production of handmade bricks at its plant in Hampshire, with the loss of more than 50 jobs. [22-Feb-2018]

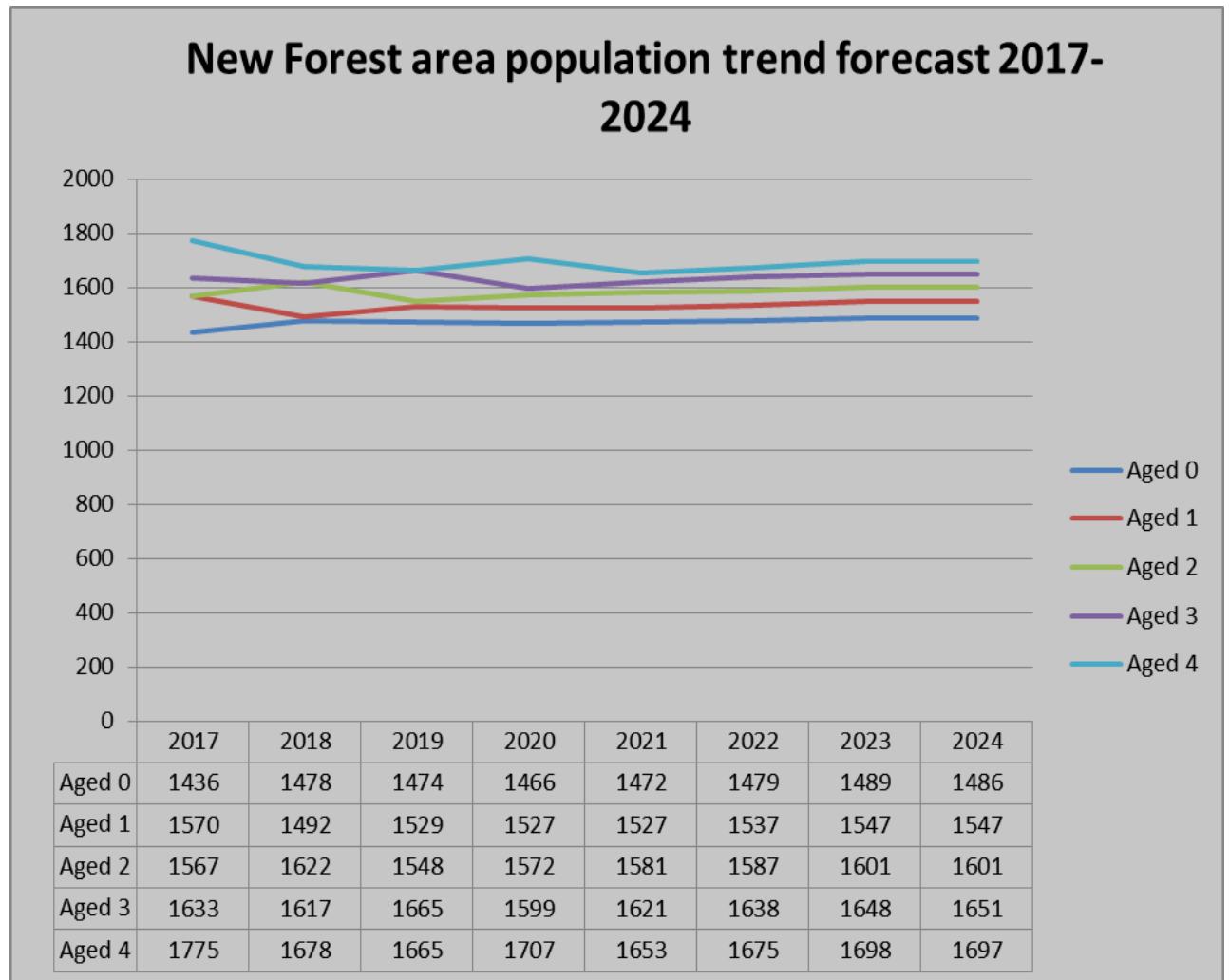
**Oyster Yachts** is reported to have gone into liquidation, casting doubt on the future of more than 400 jobs at its **Southampton**-based yacht building business. [07-Feb-2018]

**FT Solutions** has closed its data-mailing centre at **Calmore in Hampshire** with the loss of more than 50 jobs, having been acquired by Paragon Customer Communications. [30-Jan-2018]

**University of Southampton** is planning to shed up to 75 jobs, as part of restructuring [20-Nov-2017]

	<p><b>Meercat Workboats</b> has gone into administration, casting doubt on the future of 15 jobs at its Hythe-based boatbuilding business. [26-Oct-2017]</p> <p><b>Green Marine</b> has gone into liquidation through Peter Hall, with the loss of 46 jobs at its <b>Hythe</b>-based yacht building business. [11-Oct-2017]</p> <p><b>BLM</b> is considering plans to shed 29 jobs at its law firm in <b>Southampton</b>, as part of a restructuring plan. [29-Aug-2017]</p> <p><b>Associated British Ports</b> has shed about ten jobs at its operations at <b>Southampton</b> Docks, as part of a restructuring plan. [29-Aug-2017]</p> <p><b>Southampton Solent University</b> is considering plans to shed 62 jobs, in order to achieve savings of £15m. [09-May-2017]</p>
<p><b>Housing Development</b></p> <p>Source: Taken from New Forest District Council Local Development Framework Sites and Development Management Development Plan document 2012 (outside the National Park)</p> <p><a href="http://www.newforest.gov.uk/media/ado/be/e/Pre-Sub+Section+1and+2.pdf">http://www.newforest.gov.uk/media/ado/be/e/Pre- Sub Section 1and 2.pdf</a></p> <p>New Forest National Park Local Development Framework Core Strategy and Development Management Policies</p> <p><a href="http://www.newforestnpa.gov.uk/info/20040/planning_policy/23/core_strategy">http://www.newforestnpa.gov.uk/info/20040/planning_policy/23/core_strategy</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.newforestnpa.gov.uk/downloads/file/1660/new_forest_national_park_submission_draft_local_plan_2016_-_2036pdf">http://www.newforestnpa.gov.uk/downloads/file/1660/new_forest_national_park_submission_draft_local_plan_2016 - 2036pdf</a></p>	<p>Developments both residential and commercial are taking place in the district and developments are largely included in the following Core Strategy documents 2006-2026 New Forest District Council Local Development Framework Sites and Development Management Development Plan document 2012 (outside the National Park)</p> <p>The New Forest local plan review indicates significant additional residential development in the district with an estimated potential 6,890 homes on strategic sites <a href="http://www.newforest.gov.uk/CHttpHandler.aspx?id=32301&amp;p=0">http://www.newforest.gov.uk/CHttpHandler.aspx?id=32301&amp;p=0</a></p> <p>This includes approx. 2,000 homes in Totton and the Waterside, 2,990 homes in South Coastal Towns and 1,850 homes in Avon Valley and Downlands</p> <p>There is proposed to be an additional 800 dwellings will be delivered within the New Forest National Park between 2016 and 2036.</p>

**Table 1: SfYC Age Graphing from SAPF**  
 Source -Small Area Population Forecast (2018 version)



The SAPF shows over all during the next 6 year period there will be overall very little change in the total numbers of children aged 0-4 years. Total numbers of children aged 0-4 years in 2017 = 7887 and total in 2024 = 7982 a 1.2% increase. However over the period the SAPF indicates consistently higher levels of children aged 3 and 4 years than those younger. From the higher levels of children in 2017 there is an anticipated period of some reduction before we are anticipating a one year raise in the numbers of 4 year olds in 2020 followed by a steady rise in numbers of 3 and 4 year old children which may add to the pressure on EYE places particularly those taking up 30 hours.

**Table 2: Changes in population by ward children aged 0-4 years**

Source -Small Area Population Forecast (2018 version)

New Forest wards	2018	2024	% Change
Ashurst, Copythorne South and Netley Marsh	181	201	11%
Barton	121	150	24%
Bashley	92	109	18%
Becton	197	189	-4.1%
Boldre and Sway	179	197	10%
Bramshaw, Copythorne North and Minstead	81	103	27%
Bransgore and Burley	194	190	-3.1%
Brockenhurst and Forest South East	201	229	13.9%
Buckland	192	204	6.25%
Butts Ash and Dibden Purlieu	306	275	-10.2%
Dibden and Hythe East	272	265	-2.6%
Downlands and Forest	82	82	=
Fawley, Blackfield and Langley	234	260	11%
Fernhill	299	301	.01%
Fordingbridge	315	358	13.6%
Forest North West	70	86	22.8%
Furzedown and Hardley	205	161	-21.5%
Holbury and North Blackfield	376	313	-20.1%
Hordle	194	243	25.2%
Hythe West and Langdown	317	290	-9.3%
Lymington Town	225	278	23.5%
Lyndhurst	118	157	33%
Marchwood	376	328	-14.6%
Milford	134	176	31.3%
Milton	296	345	16.5%
Pennington	276	285	7.8%
Ringwood East and Sopley	113	99	-14%
Ringwood North	263	231	-13.8%
Ringwood South	328	360	9.7%
Totton Central	275	255	-7.8%
Totton East	349	307	-13.6%
Totton North	437	389	-12.3%
Totton South	325	302	-7.6%
Totton West	267	266	-0.3%
<b>New Forest totals</b>	<b>7890</b>	<b>7984</b>	<b>1.2%</b>

When considering the change to the numbers of children over the next 6 years by ward it can be seen that the small growth in population is anticipated to be largely concentrated in the wards surrounding New Milton, Lymington and Fordingbridge where the building programmes are currently in progress. Also in the Ashurst, Bramshaw and Lyndhurst wards.

## 2. Childcare places analysis

### 2.1 Childcare mix known at 31/03/2018

This data is produced by the Services for Young Children Local Development Team (LDT) for Ofsted registered childcare from known changes in the childcare market that have occurred in the period 01/04/2017 - 31/03/2018.

Table 2: Childcare Places – source Ofsted local authority download

Provider type	Quarter period	Total number of providers gained or settings that have extended places	Total number of registered places gained (if known)	Total number of providers lost	Total number of registered spaces lost (if known)	Net growth or loss of places since the last quarter (- / +)
Child-minders	Q1	4	24	5	30	-6
	Q2	6	24	6	29	-5
	Q3	4	0	0	0	
	Q4	5	30	10	60	-30
	<b>Total</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>-41</b>
Home child carers	Q1	0	0	1	1	-1
	Q2	0	0	3	3	-3
	Q3	1	1	1	1	=
	Q4	1	1	0	0	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>-3</b>
EYE Non-domestic premises – full day care	Q1	1	40	1	40	0
	Q2	0	0	0	0	0
	Q3	1	42	1	40	2
	Q4	1	18	0	0	18
	<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>20</b>
EYE Non-domestic premises – term-time care	Q1	2	74	2	74	0
	Q2	0	0	0	0	0
	Q3	0	0	0	0	0
	Q4	1	30	1	30	0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>0</b>
Holiday play-schemes Before and After school clubs	Q1	0	0	0	0	0
	Q2	0	0	0	0	0
	Q3	0	0	0	0	0
	Q4	0	0	0	0	0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>



**Comment:**

The New Forest childcare and early years education market has few changes to the numbers of providers delivering services. During this reporting period there have been some changes of management in settings that has resulted in some closures; but also new registrations with new management and ownership taking over. With some changes in ownership there has been an expected increase in places being offered to the market and no loss in places.

Childminding places

Overall at the end of this reporting period there is a small loss in numbers of childminding places, from the numbers available to us. The numbers of minders leaving the market higher than those joining, however we are aware that some of those who have resigned registration have not been delivering services recently. Childminders who are joining the workforce often want to deliver EYE services and offer funded services in a flexible way across the year. Many of those providers who are currently delivering EYE services are also offering families additional hours if they are eligible for 30 hours.

Home child carers

Numbers of home child carers in the New Forest remain small, overall at the end of the reporting period in the New Forest district there were three less home child carers. Generally these providers offer services within the employing family home and have responsibility of a very small number of children; so we use a figure of one place for each of these providers where registered numbers are not specified.

EYE non-domestic premises

The report shows no change in the market during the first two quarter periods of this annual report, with only opens and closed due to re-registrations not meaning any overall change in numbers of places or providers. There has been one new provision opened in quarter four which will offer EYE places from the start of the summer term and this school based provision is situated in one of the more rural parts of the district where there have been previous setting closures.

Out of School services

This sector of the market has had no change in registered provision over the period of this report. We are aware that some schools are providing out of school and out of hours activities for children which are school managed and do not necessarily require separate registration. There are also activity based schemes offered by specialist providers in schools during some holiday period, these providers do not necessarily require a specific registration for each site they deliver services from.

**2.2 New childcare and early years provision known at 31/03/2018**

This is data that is known to the Local Development Team of childcare developments that have completed registration in the quarter 4 period. The data includes all types of Ofsted registered provision.

**Table 3: New Provision** - source Ofsted local authority download

Ward	Postcode	Age range	Registered places	Type of setting* FDC/SC/OSC/CM/HC
Bransgore and Burley	BH23	0-8	6	CM

Downland and Forest	SP6	2-4	18	FDC
Fernhill	BH23	0-8	6	CM
Furzedown and Hardley	SO45	0-8	6	CM
Holbury and North Blackfield	SO45	0-4	30	FDC
Marchwood	SO40	0-8	6	CM
Totton Central	SO40	0-8	6	CM
<p><b>*Key</b>  FDC – full day care  SC – sessional or preschool provision  OSC – out of school care  CM – childminder  HC – home child carer</p>				

**Comment:**

Newly registered group provision in the ward areas of Downland and Forest ward will provide EYE places for families within this rural community where there have been some setting closures over the recent years. Newly registered childminders are anticipating to be offering Early Years Education (EYE) services to local families and all are engaged with supplying services that will meet the needs of working families eligible for 30 hours EYE funding. We welcome the new registrations in Bransgore and Burley, Furzedown and Hardley and Fernhill where there have been low numbers of childcare places.

**2.3 Proposed childcare and early years provision known at 31/03/18:**

This is data known to the Local Development Team of childcare provision that is proposed. It is likely that these providers will have made application to Ofsted during quarter 4

**Table 4: Proposed Provision - source Ofsted local authority download**

Ward	Postcode	Age range	Registered places	Type of setting FDC/SC/OSC/CM/HC
Bransgore and Burley	BH23	0-8		CM

**Comment:**

This proposed childminder will help to complement the existing provision in this ward.

**2.4 Early years and childcare provision under threat of closure known at up to 31/03/18**

This data is provided by the Local Development Team to indicate areas where childcare organisations are known to have difficulty in the childcare market.

**Table 5: Provision under threat of closure**

Ward	Postcode	Age range	Registered places	Type of setting FDC/SC/OSC/CM/HC
Boldre and Sway	SO41	2-5	24	SC
Dibden and Hythe East	SO45	2-5	26	SC

Downlands and Forest	SP6	2-5	26	SC
Downlands and Forest	SP6	2-5	12	SC
Holbury & North Blackfield	SO45	2-5	30	FDC
Lymington	SO41	2-5	24	SC
Pennington	SO41	2-5	24	SC
Ringwood North	BH24	2-5	26	SC
Totton South	SO40	2-5	30	SC

**Comment:**

During the last year the New Forest Local Development Team (LDT) has been working closely with several pre-school providers offering business support, including guidance on marketing, and to settings who have been experiencing financial challenges due to low occupancy. There are also some settings where changes to the overall business modelling by their management have resulted in reviewing the future of the early years and childcare provision.

**2.5 Early Years and Childcare Provision closed at 31/03/18**

This data is provided by the Local Development Team of known closures of childcare organisations in the quarter 4 period.

**Table 6: Provision Closed** -source Ofsted local authority download

Ward	Postcode	Age range	Registered places	Type of setting FDC/SC/OSC/CM/HC
Barton	BH25	0-8	6	CM
Barton	BH25	0-8	6	CM
Brockenhurst and Forest South East	SO42	0-8	6	CM
Holbury and North Blackfield	SO45	0-4	30	FDC
Hordle	SO41	0-8	6	CM
Hordle	SO41	0-8	6	CM
Marchwood	SO40	0-8	6	CM
Milford	SO42	0-8	6	HC
Milton	BH25	0-8	6	CM
Totton East	SO40	0-8	6	CM
Totton West	SO40	0-8	6	CM

**Note:** Where a number is not indicated the assumption is that the carer has not provided childcare for some time.

Ofsted inspections are resulting in removal from the Early Years register of childminders who are currently not supporting children. Where a childminder has no child under 5 years of age they are moved to the Childcare register (5 – 8 years). (Indications are that many hold on to their early years registration due the higher cost of the childcare register only option).

**Comment:**

The information in table 6 contains closures of nine childminders in the New Forest district who have resigned their registrations. We are aware that some of these were providing Early Years Education (EYE) services. These closures are disappointing as many are within wards where there is limited EYE provision, and small numbers of childminders.

The LDT is aware some providers have chosen to retire and others have been concerned over the EYE funding rates. The group provision within this table has undergone management change and has re-registered. EYE services have been able to continue without break of service.

## **2.6 Childcare Workforce**

From the data available to the Local Development Team the current number of people working in the early years and childcare sector in the New Forest consists of a workforce of 739 people. This is an increase to the workforce over the last 12 months of 32 practitioners or 4.5%. The qualification profile of these people indicates 83.9% have a level 3 or above a reduction of 0.4% from the 2016/17 data.

There are 155 (21%) people in the workforce with a qualification between a level 4 and level 7 an increase of 14 practitioners or 1% increase from 2016/17. There are 74 (10%) people with a qualification less than level 2 or have no current childcare qualification this shows a slight increase from the previous data of 68 (9.6%). The local authority has provided a menu of training for those in the childcare workforce in Hampshire through a subscription scheme and through the sold service portfolio of Professional Options. The range of training opportunities available through the SfYC Professional Options portfolio continues to be expanded including bespoke options to meet the demands from the sector. There are also regular update information and support sessions offered to practitioners in the county districts. Childcare and Early Years qualifying training courses are accessed through local colleges and other training providers.

## **3. Early Years Education – Free Entitlement**

Hampshire County Council keeps a register of all approved childcare and early years provision that delivers the Government's free early years education entitlement. Free early years education places are available in independent school nursery classes, state or private nursery schools, day nurseries, playgroups or pre-schools and with approved child-minders. Free early years education is available from the funding period after a child's third and fourth birthday. Some children, whose circumstances or family circumstances meet eligibility criteria, can also receive free early years education in the funding period after their second birthday.

### **3.1 Early Years Education for Two Year Olds**

This is part of a national offer from the Department for Education (DfE) and has been developed to improve outcomes for identified two year olds who meet or their family's income or circumstances meet, certain eligibility criteria. Further details can be found at

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/socialcareandhealth/childrenandfamilies/childcare/payingforchildcare/freechildcare/2yearoldoffer>

### **3.2 Number of settings able to provide early years education to 2, 3 and 4 Year olds in the Private, Voluntary and Independent sector at 31/03/2018:**

This is based on the settings that are approved to deliver early years funding:

**Table 7: List of approved group and childminder early years education providers – source Hampshire County Council EYNFF census return January 2018**

Ward	Number of PVI settings Provider type	Number of EYE CM	Number of CM non-EYE	Total Number of settings	Total number of places	Number of settings offering EYE 2 year old places	Number of settings offering 30 hours places	Number of settings offering stretched offer
Ashurst, Copythorne South & NM	3	0	2	5	152	3	3	3
Barton	1	0	0	1	24	1	0	0
Bashley	2	0	3	5	58	1	0	0
Becton	3	1	1	5	146	1	1	0
Boldre and Sway	6	0	0	6	193	4	4	3
Bramshaw, Copythorne N & Minstead	2	0	0	2	54	2	2	0
Bransgore and Burley	3	2	1	6	97	5	5	3
Brockenhurst & Forest SE	3	0	0	3	108	3	1	1
Buckland	1	0	1	2	20	1	1	0
Butts Ash and Dibden Purlieu	3	5	0	8	153	8	5	1
Dibden and Hythe East	2	3	0	5	74	4	4	2
Downlands and Forest	2	0	0	2	34	2	2	0
Fawley, Blackfield and Langley	3	3	0	6	146	6	6	2
Fernhill	1	5	2	8	49	6	5	3
Fordingbridge	3	0	0	3	160	2	2	1
Forest North West	4	1	0	5	188	3	5	1
Furzedown and Hardley	0	1	2	3	14	1	1	0
Holbury and North Blackfield	4	1	0	5	116	5	5	1
Hordle	2	8	1	11	84	9	10	6
Hythe West and Langdown	2	3	0	5	117	5	5	4

Lymington Town	2	1	0	3	65	3	3	3
Lyndhurst	2	0	2	4	46	1	2	0
Marchwood	3	3	5	11	187	5	6	2
Milford	2	0	0	2	56	2	1	2
Milton	3	0	1	4	89	3	3	1
Pennington	3	1	1	5	120	4	4	2
Ringwood East and Sopley	1	1	0	2	33	2	2	1
Ringwood North	3	7	0	10	171	10	10	4
Ringwood South	3	6	0	9	100	9	9	3
Totton Central	1	6	2	9	65	7	6	2
Totton East	6	5	0	11	279	11	11	4
Totton North	1	2	1	4	60	3	3	2
Totton South	3	5	2	10	104	7	6	1
Totton West	2	5	2	9	127	7	7	4

### 3.3 Development of Childminder EYE Provision

In the New Forest district at the end of quarter 4 there were 80 Ofsted registered child minders who had been approved to deliver early years education. The New Forest district area had a total of 112 registered childminders; of those 91 childminders inspected 79 (86.8%) of these had been graded by Ofsted as “Good or Outstanding”. The local authority is putting into place support for new childminding entrants to the market and those who wish to provider EYE services. There has been information available and briefings held to advise and support childminders in development of a 30 hour friendly offer. There has been events held in the district and across the county by Services for Young Children to facilitate childminder and group provision in communities to work together to provide services in collaboration. The Childcare Development and Business Officer (CDBO) continues to encourage new childminding services to be developed to offer early years education funding in all areas of the district but specifically in the priority wards where there is pressure on places including the New Milton wards, Lymington, Pennington, Marchwood, Brockenhurst and some of the more rural communities of the district.

### 3.4 Development of Group EYE provision

At the end of quarter 4 there were 88 childcare settings delivering early years education in the district who are a mix of private, voluntary and Independent school settings. During quarter 4 there has been a newly registered school managed EYE provision and one setting re-registered due to management changes. There has been an increase of 20 EYE places over the annual period; this is split between increased numbers at re-registration and opening of a new provision.

### 3.5 Take-up of the free Early Years Education entitlement by two, three and four year olds

Table 8 below provides the numbers of children in the New Forest district that access their early years education and this is assessed against the small area population forecast to provide a proxy level of take up.

**Table 8: Early Years Education take-up of 2 & 3 year olds in New Forest spring 2018**  
source: HCC New Forest district EYE take up data

Hampshire children only	2 Yr Old Claims	2Yr Old SAPF	% 2 YrOld Take Up	3 Yr Old Claims	3Yr Old SAPF	% 3 YrOld Take Up
<b>New Forest</b>						
<b>Ashurst, Copythorne South and Netley Marsh</b>	4	31	12.90%	38	37	102.70%
<b>Barton</b>	2	23	8.70%	21	29	72.41%
<b>Bashley</b>		18	0.00%	13	25	52.00%
<b>Becton</b>	11	37	29.73%	34	34	100.00%
<b>Boldre and Sway</b>	1	34	2.94%	37	37	100.00%
<b>Bramshaw, Copythorne North and Minstead</b>	1	21	4.76%	16	12	133.33%
<b>Bransgore and Burley</b>	7	35	20.00%	38	53	71.70%
<b>Brockenhurst and Forest South East</b>	3	38	7.89%	45	45	100.00%
<b>Buckland</b>	2	36	5.56%	41	37	110.81%
<b>Butts Ash and Dibden Purlieu</b>	13	54	24.07%	50	62	80.65%
<b>Dibden and Hythe East</b>	9	65	13.85%	51	51	100.00%
<b>Downlands and Forest</b>		16	0.00%	15	20	75.00%
<b>Fawley, Blackfield and Langley</b>	7	49	14.29%	50	45	111.11%
<b>Fernhill</b>	14	61	22.95%	62	59	105.08%
<b>Fordingbridge</b>	7	62	11.29%	45	68	66.18%
<b>Forest North West</b>		12	0.00%	11	14	78.57%
<b>Furzedown and Hardley</b>	11	47	23.40%	40	30	133.33%
<b>Holbury and North Blackfield</b>	23	81	28.40%	93	84	110.71%
<b>Hordle</b>	12	38	31.58%	43	45	95.56%
<b>Hythe West and Langdown</b>	13	66	19.70%	78	73	106.85%
<b>Lymington Town</b>	3	48	6.25%	39	46	84.78%
<b>Lyndhurst</b>	4	19	21.05%	23	25	92.00%
<b>Marchwood</b>	10	69	14.49%	70	82	85.37%
<b>Milford</b>	3	28	10.71%	26	28	92.86%
<b>Milton</b>	19	55	34.55%	61	61	100.00%
<b>Pennington</b>	20	61	32.79%	56	55	101.82%
<b>Ringwood East and Sopley</b>	2	20	10.00%	23	21	109.52%

Ringwood North	4	49	8.16%	51	59	86.44%
Ringwood South	15	64	23.44%	68	73	93.15%
Totton Central	7	61	11.48%	61	55	110.91%
Totton East	23	67	34.33%	63	72	87.50%
Totton North	16	97	16.49%	98	99	98.99%
Totton South	19	58	32.76%	74	75	98.67%
Totton West	9	52	17.31%	57	63	90.48%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>1572</b>	<b>18.70%</b>	<b>1591</b>	<b>1674</b>	<b>95.04%</b>

**Table 9: EYE take up by age over the annual period April 2017-March 2018**

Source -HCC EYE take up data New Forest district

2 year old	Total number of claims	Average hourly take up	Stretched offer child numbers	Stretched offer average hourly take up	Additional hours (for those on stretched offer )
Summer 2017	303	12.18	36	10.27	5.75
Autumn 2017	303	12.44	34	10.85	3.02
Spring 2018	277	12.63	37	10.68	2.46

3 year old	Total number of claims	Average hourly take up	Extended entitlement average hourly take up	Stretched offer child numbers	Stretched offer average hourly take up	Additional hours (for those on stretched offer )
Summer 2017	1567	12.18	0	179	10.65	8.30
Autumn 2017	1784	12.65	9.41	227	10.45	5.15
Spring 2018	1704	12.81	9.94	221	10.78	4.23

4 year old	Total number of claims	Average hourly take up	Extended entitlement average hourly take up	Stretched offer child numbers	Stretched offer average hourly take up	Additional hours (for those on stretched offer )
Summer 2017	1102	12.70	0	101	10.65	7.57
Autumn 2017	68	14.66	6.82	1	11.03	8.97
Spring 2018	631	13.30	9.78	78	11.06	5.56

### 3.6 Provider Types

The take up of EYE funding by provider type in the New Forest district for the spring funding period 2018 has been as follows:

	Spring 2017	Spring 2018
Childminder	4.6%	4.3%
Pre-school	62.4%	58.5%
Day Nursery	26.9%	32.1%
Nursery Units of Independent Schools	6.0%	4.9%



**Comment:**

Table 8 highlights that the EYE take up of eligible two year olds remains high in the wards of Butts Ash and Dibden Purlieu, and Fernhill during the spring funding period 2018 however the data now shows the highest take up percentages are in the wards of Becton, Holbury and North Blackfield, Hordle, Pennington, Milton and Totton East It is noted that some percentages in this table are greater than 100% this may be due to SAPF being a modelled population forecast and the numbers of actual children is greater than the prediction at the time the forecast was made .

There continues to be a trend of lower three year old EYE take up in the wards of Barton and Downland and Forest. It is hoped that the new full day care provision in Downland and Forest ward will support an increase the take up in this ward. Within this most recent funding period it has also been noted that EYE take up for 3 year olds is also lower than expected in Bashley, Bransgore and Burley, and Fordingbridge wards. Since the last report it has been noted that take up has improved in the wards of Fawley, Blackfield and Langley and the Ringwood wards.

When considering the EYE take up trends the spring funding period for the New Forest district data shows there has been a 1.8% decrease in numbers of children taking EYE funding in New Forest from the same period last year. The average hourly take up has gradually increased over the year for the 2 and 3 year old children with a slightly lower weekly hourly average taken by 4 year olds over the spring term.

Since the implementation of the extended entitlement in the autumn term there has been a good take up of these hours by both 3 and 4 year old children with an average of just short of 10 hours taken. Over the same period we have noted the decrease in parent funded additional hours for both age groups.

Take up of EYE by provider type has shown changes over the last year. The take up of EYE provision in Independent schools, preschools and to a lesser extent in childminding settings has dropped with the take up increasing in full day care settings, this could be due to the opportunities for families to access more or all of the extended entitlement within full day care provision.

We are aware that many New Forest families travel both inside and outside the district for their early year and childcare needs, there is some movement of children coming into this local authority for early years education and childcare provision and some New Forest resident children taking up provision in other local authorities.

Over the spring funding period there were 230 two, three and four year olds resident in other local authorities taking up both early years education and childcare provision in New Forest settings. These children came from 3 other authorities. They took a total of 28,279 universal EYE hours and 9115 extended entitlement.. The Childcare Development and Business Officer is working with neighbouring local authorities to track data on EYE take up by New Forest children out of the authority. However the following table indicates the location of take up within districts of the local authority from children resident in the New Forest. While we are aware that the majority of families travel within the district of up to 7 miles for their childcare and EYE services table 10 shows the take up of provision for children resident in New Forest but accessing provision in another district of Hampshire, this indicates one family travelling a distance of 30 miles for provision.

**Table 10: Travel of New Forest Families for EYE provision out of district but within Hampshire Source – Hampshire EYE take up data**

Child's home ward in New Forest	Attending district	Attending ward	No. of children autumn 2017	No. of children spring 2018
Butts Ash & Dibden Purlieu	Eastleigh	Hamble- Le- Rice & Butlocks Heath	2	2
Dibden & Hythe East		West End South	0	1
Totton Central		Eastleigh Central	2	1
Totton North		Fair Oak	0	1
Totton South		Chandler's Ford East	1	1
Barton	Fareham		1	1
Marchwood		Park Gate	1	0
Totton South		Titchfield Common	1	0
Marchwood	Gosport	Elson	1	1
Hythe West & Langdown	Havant	St Faith	1	0
Milton		Battins	0	1
Totton North		Cowplain	1	0
Ashurst, Copythorne South & Netley Marsh	Test Valley	Blackwater	7	8
Ashurst, Copythorne South & Netley Marsh		Romsey Extra	1	1
Ashurst, Copythorne South & Netley Marsh		Valley Park	1	1
Bramshaw, Copythorne North & Minstead		Anna	1	0
Bramshaw, Copythorne North & Minstead		Blackwater	1	0
Bramshaw, Copythorne North & Minstead		Chilworth, Nursling & Rownhams	1	1
Bramshaw, Copythorne North & Minstead		Romsey Extra	1	4
Brockenhurst & Forest South East		Romsey Extra	1	0
Butts Ash & Dibden Purlieu		Romsey Extra	0	1
Butts Ash & Dibden Purlieu		Valley Park	0	1
Dibden & Hythe East		Abbey	0	1
Furzedown & Hardley		Blackwater	1	1
Lyndhurst		Blackwater	1	1
Lyndhurst		Valley Park	1	1
Marchwood		Romsey Extra	2	0
Marchwood		Blackfield	1	0
Totton Central		Blackwater	2	2
Totton East		Blackwater	0	1
Totton East		Chilworth, Nursling & Rownhams	2	2
Totton North		Blackwater	2	2
Totton North	Chilworth, Nursling & Rownhams	3	3	
Totton North	Romsey Extra	1	1	
Totton South	Romsey Extra	1	1	
Totton West	Chilworth, Nursling & Rownhams	2	2	
Ashurst, Copythorne South & Netley Marsh	Winchester	St Paul	0	1
Fawley Blackfield & Langley		St Paul	0	1
Furzedown & Hardley		St Paul	1	1
Pennington		Whiteley & Shedfield	1	1
Ringwood North		Upper Meon Valley	1	0
Totton East		St Paul	1	0

Totals 48 61

### 3.7 Percentage of two year olds taking up the free offer against Department for Education DWP proxy target

The Department for Education in partnership with the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) provides the local authority with numbers of families who are most likely to meet eligibility criteria for two year old funding. This data is used as a proxy measure to assess the take-up of the offer by eligible families. The details below outline the position. Hampshire has an indicative number of 3600 children to reach.

**Table 11: Take-up of early years education by eligible two year olds**

Source - HCC EYE take up data

EYE Funding Period:	Spring 2018				
	DWP List New Forest	Confirmed Eligible	Percentage reach	Two Year old claims	Percentage take-up
	332	327	98.4%	272	81.9%

#### **Comment:**

There are still some eligible 2 year olds who are not accessing the full entitlement of 15 hours weekly. The Childcare Development and Business Officer is aware of some settings who are offering families the 2 year old funding on a stretched offer and there has been a good take up of 11 hours over 51 weeks for those eligible. During the spring funding period 272 eligible 2 year olds accessed EYE provision for an average of 12.86 hours weekly. 37 of these eligible 2 year olds accessed EYE funding as a stretched offer, accessing an average of 10.72 hours. This shows a decrease on numbers accessing a stretched offer and the hours taken from this period last year, this could be due to the overall numbers of two year old children eligible for EYE funding being lower or it may be due to the extended entitlement producing a squeeze on places available in settings.

### 3.8 Early Years Pupil Premium (EYPP)

This additional funding is available to three and four year old children if parents receive specific benefits. Early years education providers may be entitled to claim EYPP funding for a 3 or 4 year old child in receipt of early years education funding. The funding is currently is 53p per EYE hour taken up with a maximum of £302 annually. The funding can be used by the childcare provision to support the funded child to make good levels of progress to keep up with peers.

During the quarter 4 period in the New Forest district 200 children have been supported at 64 settings by EYPP payments to a value of £14,797.20 also £1,227.48 payments were made for children accessing the extended entitlement. (36 three year olds and 112 four year olds)

**Table 12: EYPP payments in New Forest April 2017-March 2018**

Source- Hampshire EYE take up data

<b>EYPP payments in New Forest</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>3 year olds</b>	<b>4 year olds</b>	<b>Total EYPP amount</b>	<b>Total EYPP for Extended Entitlement</b>
Summer funding period 2017	277	152	125	£26,210.49	0
Autumn funding period 2017	200	198	2	£18,884.70	£808.78
Spring funding period 2018	200	136	112	£14,797.20	£1,227.48

### 3.9 Deferred and Decelerated

During this reporting year there have been a number of parents who have made a choice for their child/children to defer starting into the key stage 1 reception class in infant school. They have arranged with the school for their child or children to start at a later point during the school year rather than at the start of the academic year. There are also families who have made a choice for their child to decelerate and start key stage 1 in mainstream school in the year after they become eligible. These children have continued to access provision in early years settings. The Local Development Team liaises with the early years provision to ensure that these children are supported appropriately in their transition into school. Over the year 2017-18 there have been up to 35 children deferred or decelerated in New Forest district. These include six children who have been able to take up the extended entitlement in local preschools and nurseries.

### 4. Development of 30 hours Childcare

From September 2017 some working families have been eligible for and additional 15 hours, known as Extended Entitlement, Early Years Education (EYE) for their 3 and 4 year old children.

To qualify for the full 30 hours of free childcare, **each** parent (or the sole parent in a single parent family) needs to earn, on average, the equivalent of 16 hours on the national minimum wage per week, (currently £111 per week for those aged 21 or over), and no more than £100,000 per year. A couple both working with an annual household income of £199,998 would be eligible if each, i.e. both parent earns just under £100,000. *(In a couple if one parent earns over this threshold they are not eligible. In a couple if one parent earns less than the minimum equivalent of 16 hours on national minimum/living wage they are not eligible).* Self-employed parents and those on zero-hours contracts are eligible if they meet the average earnings threshold as defined by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs (HMRC).

The local authority of Hampshire had been part of a number of local authorities working with the Department for Education (DfE) to prepare the market for this expansion, Hampshire had a particular focus on evaluating parent engagement and meeting the '30 hour' needs of SEND children.

During the lead up to the launch in September 2017 The Local Development Team were working closely with providers to consider how the market would be able to meet the anticipated demand. The local authority used a variety data in order to make estimates of demand and work with the market.

The local authority have been updating the market on the developments and take up of the 30 hours by use of web and blog articles, termly briefings and workshop sessions.

**Table 13: Anticipated numbers of children in New Forest eligible for 30 hours from September 2017**

Source- a variety of sources including DWP, DfE, SAPF

<b>30 hour eligibility</b>	<b>Child Population (dependent on age selection)</b>	<b>Population in Working Family (dependent on age selection)</b>	<b>Earnings Eligible (89% of Hampshire)</b>	<b>Children with SEND (6.2%)</b>	<b>SEND Support Claimants (1.9%)</b>
New Forest	3344	1608	1431	100	31

In the New Forest district providers reflected on their models of delivery and by discussing with parents who have been using their services as well as having discussions with other local provision to enable parents to use provision collaboratively to access the full 30 hours.

In the New Forest district it is estimated that approx. 59% of working families with a three year old child will meet the eligibility criteria and 20% of parents of four year olds; based on the premise that 66% of four year olds will be in school. Therefore based on SAPF figures between 1383 and 1554 children in the district may be eligible for 30 hours provision.

The Childcare Development and Business Officer (CDBO) has been and continues offer support to the market to develop 30 hour friendly offers within the local communities; this includes some settings working collaboratively to offer a mix of services to families so they can offer the whole entitlement. From recent provider updates we are aware that 73 (83%) group settings and 66 (82.5%) EYE approved childminders are offering families opportunities to access 30 hours at their settings.

**Table 14: Showing EYE take up of Extended Entitlement from children resident in New Forest**

Source EYE take up data

<b>Funding Period</b>	<b>Age of Child</b>	<b>Number of Children extended Standard Offer</b>	<b>Average extended standard hours taken</b>	<b>Number of Children extended stretched offer</b>	<b>Average Extended Stretched Offer</b>	<b>Total number of children</b>
Autumn 2017	3	451	10.8	155	8.86	606
Autumn 2017	4	6	6.82	0	0	6
Spring 2018	3	465	10.96	155	9.55	620
Spring 2018	4	196	10.85	53	9.48	249

**Comment:**

Take up for extended entitlement in New Forest has been well used by eligible families. Take up in the autumn funding period was for 612 eligible children and in the spring funding period this has increased to 869 children. There has also been an increase in average hours taken with children in the spring term taking almost 11 hours as a standard offer and 9.5 hours as a stretched offer. The local development team are not aware of families having difficulties in being able to access extended entitlement hours.

**5. Quality of the Ofsted Registered provision:**

This includes the data on the Ofsted outcomes for the New Forest district.

**Table 15: Quality of all provision within the New Forest district as at 31/3/18**

Source: Ofsted inspection reports

Type of setting	Outstanding		Good		Requires improvement		Inadequate		Awaiting inspection
	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage	
EYE Providers	21	26.6%	40	50.6%	5	6.3%	1	1.3%	12
EYE Childminders	16	21.3%	46	61.3%	3	4%	0	0	10
Other Childminders	3	10.3%	16	20.3%	3	3.8%	0	0	7
Independent Schools (Nursery Provision)	4	66.7%	1	16.6%	1	16.6%	0	0%	0
Holiday – After school provision	1	4.3%	15	65.2%	2	8.7%	0	0%	5

**Table 16: New reports received during Q4 as at 31/03/18**

Source: Ofsted inspection reports

	Outstanding	Good	Requires Improvement	Inadequate
EYE providers	0	3	0	1
EYE childminders	0	3	0	0
Other Childminders	0	1	1	0
Independent Schools	1	0	0	0
Holiday/After School provision	0	0	1	0
Infant and primary Schools	0	4	0	0

**Comment:**

New Forest district currently has 12 group settings waiting their first Ofsted grading inspection. The overall picture for Ofsted outcomes for the district is positive with 61 (77.2%) of group EYE childcare settings with an Ofsted outcome achieving an Ofsted grading of “Good” or “Outstanding” with 21 (26.6%) achieving an “Outstanding” grade.

Support is offered to settings that have an Ofsted outcome of less than “Good” through the Hampshire Improvement Support Programme on an individual basis to assist their quality developments to address the Ofsted actions and recommendations. There is also support offers made to those who have been alerted to the Local Development Team (LDT) who may benefit from some specialist support from the local authority for specific issues such as a serious safeguarding issue or premises challenges. Currently the LDT is providing support to 7 group settings and 3 childminders.

Free entitlement for 2 year olds is expected to be provided through Ofsted Early Years registered provision that has an inspection outcome of “Good” or “Outstanding”. The local authority will only fund 2 year olds in provision less than “Good” where continuity of care for children is required or there is insufficient choice in the market. Such providers are required to have appropriate local authority support in place. All the providers in Table 17 are working with the LDT to improve quality of provision as indicated by Ofsted at inspection and have active support plans in place.

**Table 17: Number of funded two year olds in Ofsted rated less than ‘good’ provision. 31/3/18**

Source- Ofsted inspection reports

<b>Select Term</b>	<b>Spring 2018</b>
<b>Age Type</b>	<b>2</b>

<b>Number of child claims</b>	<b>Ofsted Results</b>	
<b>Provider Location</b>	<b>Requires Improvement</b>	<b>Inadequate</b>
Butts Ash and Dibden Purlieu		<b>4</b>
Fernhill	<b>1</b>	
Marchwood	<b>2</b>	
Pennington	<b>4</b>	
Totton East	<b>4</b>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>4</b>

**Comment:**

The Local Development Team continue to provide support to settings that currently have an Ofsted grading lower than “Good” to ensure that the settings continue to provide early years education and childcare that meet the development needs of all children so that they can make progress including any funding 2 year olds.

## 6. Development of provision for Special Educational Needs

The Services for Young Children Inclusion Team is committed to ensuring that all eligible children are able to attend an early years or childcare setting irrelevant of any disability or additional support need. Ideally we would see this happening in the child's local setting or parents choice of setting, however where a child's needs cannot be met by this provider we will work with partners to support the identification of an appropriate alternative.

The Inclusion Team will use a range of resources to support settings to be able to provide quality care for all children. This will include:

- the provision of additional funding through the Inclusion Fund process
- direct support from the Area Inclusion team,
- outreach support from one of the contracted expert providers
- support from the Portage Service, and
- training or support groups.

The table below shows the number of children that are known to the Inclusion Service through Portage service and Inclusion Team who support providers for specific children. This data provides a proxy indicator of the number of known SEN children aged 2/3/4 for the period. The data set also outlines the number of payments made for children who have met the eligibility criteria for SEN Inclusion Fund payment. The data is shown as a percentage against the overall all Early Years Education funding claims for the district and comparison to the County average. The data does not include those children attending school nursery or special school provision.

Children known with SEN and SEN take up Spring 2018							
District	Total number of 2/3/4 year old children with SEN known by Inclusion Service.(include Portage)	Total Number 2/3 and 4 year old EYE claimants	% of EYE supported by Inclusion Team*	SEN Inclusion fund payments: 2 year olds	SEN Inclusion fund payments: 3 and 4 year olds	Total SEN Inclusion Fund payments	Percentage of Inclusion Fund payments and total EYE claims
New Forest	157	2372	6.6%	5	38	43	1.81%
County	1502	20973	7.2%	81	384	465	2.28%
Out of County	8	1233	0.64%	2	6	8	0.64%

For New Forest the number of children currently attending early years education and being supported by the Inclusion Team for SEN is 0.6% lower than the county average. The number of children that currently meet the criteria for the SEN Inclusion Fund is 0.47% lower than the county average. This is new data set and trend data is currently not available.



## 7. Development of out of school and holiday provision

The data for the period January - March 2018 highlights that there are 40 registered breakfast club, after school and holiday provision in the New Forest district. However these provisions are delivered by 23 providers some of whom deliver more than one service as part of their registration. There may also be other provision that is run by schools not known to the Local Development Team. Most of the settings in the district are managed by third party providers using schools and community centres as venues. Childminders do also contribute an amount of out of school care in the area. The New Forest district requires further childminder growth to accommodate the increasing numbers generally.

During this annual reporting period 2017-18 in the New Forest district there has been no out of school settings that have had an inadequate Ofsted outcome. During the quarter 4 period one setting has had "Requires Improvement" outcome. There continues to be some interest from the Out of School sector to be able to be paid by families using Tax-Free Childcare accounts but at this point no out of school provider in the New Forest is considering offering services to support families accessing the extended entitlement to support the market and the needs of working families.

The out of school sector are signposted to guidance on the Services for Young Children website and other websites for setting up and quality improvement of services.

<http://documents.hants.gov.uk/childrensservices/OutofSchoolChildcareCareGuidance.pdf>

During the period of this annual report there has been no change to numbers of registered out of school provision which is unusual as there are often changes to the numbers of registered provision as the demand for these services does fluctuate. There are usually some additional registrations for holiday provision which provides services for the summer holiday periods. There are a few day nursery providers who are also able to provide regular after school services alongside local schools.

## 8. Housing Developments, Hampshire

### New Forest Medium and Large Building Development

The follow list includes the building plans that may impact on the childcare and early years market in the New Forest district:

#### Ringwood

CROW LANE	ALLOCATION	NOT STARTED	ESTIMATED 175 DWELLINGS	2018-2022
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#### Sopley

DERRITT LANE	ALLOCATION	STARTED	ESTIMATED 55 DWELLINGS
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#### Fordingbridge

WHITSBURY ROAD	ALLOCATION	STARTED	10 DWELLINGS COMPLETE + 5 DWELLINGS
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WHITSBURY ROAD	ALLOCATION	NOT STARTED	110 DWELLINGS
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BARTONS ROAD	PERMISSION	STARTED	CONVERSION OF HOSPITAL TO 15 FLATS
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JUBLIEE CRESCENT	PERMISSION	NOT STARTED	10 DWELLINGS
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**New Milton**

HOLLANDS WOOD DRIVE	ALLOCATION	NOT STARTED	ESTIMATED 18 AFFORDABLE DWELLINGS
CAIRD AVENUE	PERMISSION	NOT STARTED	ESTIMATED 90 DWELLINGS
SCHOOL LANE MILFORD	ALLOCATION	NOT STARTED	ESTIMATED 30 DWELLINGS
GORE ROAD	ALLOCATION	NOT STARTED	ESTIMATED 28 DWELLINGS
MOORE CLOSE	ALLOCATION	NOT STARTED	ESTIMATED 15 DWELLINGS
PARK ROAD ASHLEY	ALLOCATION	NOT STARTED	ESTIMATED 20 DWELLINGS 2019-2021
NORTH MILTON ESTATE	PERMISSION	COMPLETED	21 AFFORDABLE DWELLINGS
WHITEFIELD ROAD	PERMISSION	COMPLETED	ERECTION OF 15 FLATS

**Lymington**

QUEEN KATHERINE ROAD	PERMISSION	COMPLETED	13 DWELLINGS
ALEXANDER ROAD	ALLOCATION	STARTED	ESTIMATED 87 DWELLINGS 2018-2021
BRIDGE ROAD DWELLINGS	PERMISSION	UNDER CONSTRUCTION	MIXED USES INCLUDING 111
RAMLEY ROAD	PERMISSION	COMPLETION	13 DWELLINGS
AMPRESS LANE	PERMISSION	STARTED	10 DWELLINGS
MILFORD ROAD PENNINGS	ALLOCATION	NOT STARTED	ESTIMATED 14 DWELLINGS
NORTH CLOSE	PERMISSION	UNDER CONSTRUCTION	41 DWELLINGS
HIGH STREET	PERMISSION	COMPLETED	12 DWELLINGS
PINETOPS NURSERY	PERMISSION	UNDER CONSTRUCTION	13 DWELLINGS

**Hordle**

HORDLE LANE	PERMISSION	NOT STARTED	ESTIMATED 17 DWELLINGS 2018-2019
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**Hythe**

SHORE ROAD DWELLINGS	PERMISSION	164 COMPLETE	RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OF 181
MARSH PARADE EXISTING FIRST FLOOR ABOVE SHOPS	PERMISSION	UNDER CONSTRUCTION	CREATION OF 12 FLATS FROM 2019-20
FAWLEY ROAD	ALLOCATION	NOT STARTED	ESTIMATED 45 DWELLINGS 2018-20
DIBDEN PURLIEU	PERMISSION	COMPLETED	36 DWELLINGS

**Fawley**

BLACKFIELD SCHOOL	ALLOCATION	NOT STARTED	ESTIMATED 30 DWELLINGS
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**Marchwood**

CRACKNORE HARD LANE	ALLOCATION	NOT AVAILABLE	ESTIMATED 12 DWELLINGS
PARK FARM	ALLOCATION	NOT STARTED	ESTIMATED 100 DWELLINGS
SOUTH OF HYTHE ROAD	ALLOCATION	NOT STARTED	ESTIMATED 15 DWELLINGS
MULBERRY ROAD	ALLOCATION	NOT STARTED	ESTIMATED 15 DWELLINGS

**Eling**

ELING LANE	ALLOCATION	NOT STARTED	ESTIMATED 400 DWELLINGS
DURLEY FARM	ALLOCATION	NOT AVAILABLE	ESTIMATED 80 DWELLINGS
<b>Totton</b>			
BROKENFORD LANE DWELLINGS	PERMISSION	NOT STARTED	RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT – 10
BROKENFORD LANE	PERMISSION	NOT STARTED	48 DWELLINGS
SALISBURY ROAD	PERMISSION	COMPLETED	ERECTION OF 15 DWELLINGS
AIKMAN LANE CONVERT FARMHOUSE TO 2 HOUSES	PERMISSION	NOT STARTED	ERECT 11 HOUSES AND 1 FLAT AND
AIKMAN LANE DEVELOPMENT - 432 DWELLINGS COMPLETED	PERMISSION	PART BUILT/OCCUPIED; REST NOT STARTED	RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT - 101 (331 POTENTIAL GAIN) 2018=2022
LOPERWOOD FARM	PERMISSION	COMPLETE	ERECTION OF 24 DWELLINGS
CALMORE DRIVE	ALLOCATION	NOT STARTED	ERECTION OF 20 DWELLINGS
BLACKWATER DRIVE	PERMISSION	NOT STARTED	35 DWELLINGS

## 9. Parental demand

The following requests have been made to the New Forest Local Development (LDT) Team for support to find suitable EYE or childcare services in the district.

**Table 19: Parental demand New Forest Q4 2017/18**

There have been no parental demand queries made to the local development team during the Q4 period. Over the period of the annual report 1/4/17-31/3/18 the following issues have been supported by the local development team.

Source- HCC childcare enquiries

Ward	Brokerage Reason	Brokerage Outcome
Holbury and North Blackfield	Support offered to family to find alternative provision as FDC no longer able to meet their needs	Support offered to consider alternative local provision with capacity. Family has all been able to find alternative provision locally
Ashurst, Copythorne South and Netley Marsh	Family seeking out of school provision as childminder no longer able to provide services	Support and sign posting to alternative providers. Family have been able to meet the need using family members.

### Comment:

The Childcare Development and Business Officer (CDBO) continues to link with the JCP work coaches to provide signposting and support to families as parents return to work or training. The roll out of the Universal Credit to the New Forest later this year may have an impact on families wanting to access childcare and early years education services to support some parents when they return to work

There has been limited interest from potential providers over the last year to develop early years or childcare services including childminding in the district. The CDBO has been working with new providers who are interested in taking over

existing business in the district as well as supporting childcare opportunities that have occurred in community premises and from changes in business modelling or management structure. There has also been business support provided for provision to support sustainability.

## 10. Conclusion

**Table 20: Position statement of all registered provision in New Forest district at end of reporting period 31/3/18**

Source- Ofsted registered provision download to local authority

Provider type	Total number of registered providers	Total number of places if known
Child-minders	112	440
Home child carers	29	29
EYE Non-domestic premises – full day care	22	1105
Nursery units of Independent School	6	228
EYE Non-domestic premises – sessional care	55	1664
Holiday /After school clubs (inc Before school) clubs)	47	1176

After analysis of the data available for this quarter reporting period 1 January to 31 March 2018, the New Forest district shows a loss of places in the district with a loss of 5 childminding places; however over the year the opens and closes of childminders has given an overall balance. There is a small shortfall in the Home Child Carer places. The market for full day care has grown due to a new setting opening and increased numbers for those settings that have re-registered, and sessional provision has remained constant with the opens and closed and numbers of places being equivalent. There were no opens or closes in the out of school sector during quarter 4 or for the rest of the year of the annual report, however we are aware that some out of school provision may be managed by schools which may not require separate registration with Ofsted.

There are areas in the district where supply is limited these include New Milton, Lymington. However generally families in these wards have been able to find either local provision or travelled to have their EYE and childcare needs met. The data for the spring term indicates some lower take up of place for both two year old and three year old children. These include Bashley, Downland and Forest and Forest North West. Downland and Forest is one of the wards in the district where there has been a new setting open offering EYE places, however the LDT are aware of other settings in this ward being at risk of possible closure.

The impact of the demand for funded two year old places remains a focus for the Local Development Team (LDT) particularly with the settings where the Ofsted outcome has been requires improvement or inadequate. There has been one

additional setting accepting funded 2 year olds from the start of the summer funding period 2018. There are 143 settings 87% of all EYE settings in the New Forest district offering places to funded 2 year olds.

The take up of the extended entitlement has been positive in the New Forest. There are 139 settings in the district offering places for children to access part or all of the 30 hours at their provision. Providers have been able to offer this in a flexible way for families who prefer to access the EYE hours as a stretched offer. There has been some concern if the extended entitlement will cause pressure on places, possibly for 2 year olds but as of writing this report the LDT is not aware of any setting needing to limit places or families not having their needs met. Generally there has been some surplus capacity in the market with some providers experiencing financial pressures due to low occupancy.

### **Demographic and population changes**

According to Hampshire's Small Area Population Forecast (2016 version) there is expected to be a total of 7,981 0-4 year olds in 2018 and 7982 in 2024. This indicates some stability at each end of this six year period. However during this period there will be a dip in the population before the rise again in 2024.

<http://www.hants.gov.uk/factsandfigures/population-statistics/pop-estimates/small-area-pop-stats.htm>

New Forest district will have additional new housing built by within the period of the 2016-2036 core strategy, some of the developments may be subject to review later in timeline of the programme. The current programme of development includes a number of medium developments in Totton, Fordingbridge, Ringwood, Lymington and New Milton as well as a large development at Fawley consisting of over 1,000 new homes.

The New Forest local plan review indicates significant additional residential development in the district with an estimated potential 6,890 homes on strategic sites

<http://www.newforest.gov.uk/CHttpHandler.ashx?id=32301&p=0>

Services for Young Children continues to liaise with the county and district planning departments to ensure that the early years education and childcare needs of communities are recognised within developments.

### **Childcare places and trends**

Strategic planning continues to be developed to address the childcare gaps in some wards and focus on identifying future pressure areas as the impact of changes in demand are influenced by 30 hour eligibility for working families of three & four year olds and the tax-free payment accounts for families with children up to 12 years old.

<https://www.gov.uk/help-with-childcare-costs/tax-free-childcare>

### **EYE entitlement places and trends in take up**

During the early part of this annual period the Childcare Development and Business Officer was working closely with providers to support their development of 30 hour model of delivery. Some settings where there were limitations of availability of premises have developed some informal arrangements for children to access provision in settings working in partnership.

The trends in childcare take up have increased as provision in the district has opened or expanded provision with additional hours available, by settings reviewing their opening hours and some more now offering stretched offer.

The EYE take up of childcare places within the district has continued to show a good level of three & four year old children living in the New Forest with 2,634 children taking up provision, this shows an increase of 481 New Forest children accessing provision since this period last year. The total EYE hours taken by three and four year old children living in the New Forest have increased by over 78,000 hours since the spring funding period 2016/17. There have been children with 299 children taking provision as a stretched offer during the spring 2018 funding period.

It has been noted that the numbers of children coming into the district for early years education and childcare from other local authorities along with numbers of decelerated and deferred children may make an impact on the availability of places in the district. This could be an additional pressure on places as families become eligible for three and four year old children to take funded places for up to 30 hours. The LDT will continue to review and link with neighbouring local authorities.

### **Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) list and take up challenges**

According to the Hampshire Labour Market Bulletins the benefit claimants in the New Forest district have increased by 220 over this reporting period. According to the Hampshire market bulletin and economic analysis, the district follows the increasing trend across the country and county numbers of Job Seekers Allowance (JSA) claimants.

### **Quality of provision**

There are currently 164 early years education approved providers within the New Forest district and 12 of these are settings waiting for their first Ofsted grading. Ofsted outcomes for the district are positive with (82.6 %) of EYE childcare settings that have been inspected achieving an Ofsted grading of "Good" or "Outstanding". There are currently 143 PVI settings and childminders who are approved to take children who are in receipt of two year old funding.

### **Special Educational Needs and Disabilities SEND development**

The monitoring reports across the year have highlighted that speech and language issues have been the highest request for support from settings from the Area Inclusion teams. Over this reporting year there has been support to the market from the local authority that have provided an effective targeted 'Early Talk Boost' training which has followed our effective 'Keep on Talking' project which tracked and provided training, resources and tools to enhance the progress of learning for children.

### **Developments and any changes in the locality that affect childcare**

The balance of childcare places in this quarter period shows an increase of EYE places available in the market with new term time places available in an area where there has been low take up of EYE places and we anticipate that take up will increase.

Work continues to promote the childcare opportunities within the New Forest district to new and existing provision so that the district has sufficient places available to meet the market demand. The LDT continue to support capacity

growth and have been working with some settings that have been considering expansion through offering a stretched offer model. The LDT continues to work with schools who have expressed interest in developing preschool provision within their infant school sites. We are also working with schools in the New Forest who are planning to take on the management of the on site pre-school provision.

Services for Young Children had been working with the DfE as an early innovator for the 30 hour funding that forms part of the Childcare Bill 2015 available for eligible families from September 2017. The LDT had continued to work with individual and groups of providers in the district to explore the 30 hour modelling for their settings as well as possibilities of collaboration and partnership between provisions to meet the needs of families in local communities. Providers of EYE funding have been kept informed of the developments and discussions have taken place local to identify issues and find solutions to the challenges for the market. A bid has been successful for capital grant funding from the DfE to support the development of a new provision within the Lymington area to support the capacity growth needed to meet the 30 hour entitlement of families within this community, the LDT continues to work with the premises owner and the childcare provider on this project which has been awarded an extension on completion date into 2018.

## 11. Review of Annual priorities for 2017/18

Ensure that there are sustainable and sufficient childcare and early childhood services by:

- To work with settings to Increase the % of 3 & 4 year olds taking up universal offer EYE (15 hours) in Bashley ward  
To meet 65% minimum for each funding period  
**Outcome**
  - Take up at end of summer funding period for 3 year olds 76% & 84% 4 year olds
  - Take up at end of autumn funding period for 3 year olds 72% & 108% 4 year olds.
  - Take up at end of spring funding period for 3 year olds 52% & 88% 4 year olds
- Capacity building in New Milton and Lymington  
To have addition 50 additional places available by March 2018.  
**Outcome**
  - Planning permission submitted for two new FDC provision within the locality. Decision expected early summer 2018
- To have places available in all communities for EYE funded places to meet needs of communities for universal and 30 hours.
  - to have take up of places for 700 children to access some or all of their 30 hour entitlement**Outcome**

73 (83%) group settings and 66 (82.5%) EYE approved childminders are offering families opportunities to access 30 hours at their settings. Take up in the autumn funding period was for 612 eligible children and in the spring funding period this has increased to 869 children

## **Annual Priorities for 2018/19**

Continue to ensure that there are sustainable and sufficient childcare and early childhood services to meet the needs of local communities by:

- To continue to work with settings to Increase the % of 3 & 4 year olds taking up universal offer EYE (15 hours) in Bashley ward  
To meet 75% minimum for each funding period
- Capacity building in New Milton and Lymington  
To have addition 50 additional places available by March 2019.
- To continue have places available in all communities for EYE funded places to meet needs of communities for universal and 30 hours.
  - to have take up of places for at least 900 children to access some or all of their 30 hour entitlement