

Hampshire County Council Sufficiency Update Quarter 3 and 4 2017 /2018 and annual update for year ending March 2018

Area: Eastleigh Borough Council

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1. Area demographic profile

This information is provided by the 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>http://www.hants.gov.uk/factsandfigures/population-statistics/pop-estimates/small-area-pop-stats.htm</p> <p>SfYC Ward by age graphing tool 2017 - 2024</p>	<p>According to Hampshire’s Small Area Population Forecast (version January 2018) there are a total of: 7567 0-4 year olds in 2018 and 8223 in 2024. This indicates a rise of 654 children within this age range over the next 6 years. This in turn will have an impact on childcare and school places in the district which is outlined in the School Places Framework 2012 – 2016.</p>
<p>Lone parents Families accessing Working Tax Credit</p> <p>https://www.nomisweb.co.uk/reports/mp/la/1946157302/report.aspx?town=Eastleigh#tabempunemp</p> <p>Labour Market Bulletin March 2018</p> <p>http://www3.hants.gov.uk/factsandfigures/figures-economics/hants_labour_market.htm</p> <p>Universal Credit roll out areas:</p> <p>Eastleigh has moved to full roll out of universal credit done.</p> <p>Winchester – April 2018</p>	<p>The latest information available shows that 450 lone parents (as a statistical group) in Eastleigh were claiming Lone Parents benefits.</p> <p>The Labour Market Bulletin highlighted that Eastleigh’s level of Job Seekers Allowance (JSA) claimants have increased in March 2018 by 40 claimants.</p> <p>The Universal Credit (UC), a single payment for people who are looking for work or are on a low income, was first piloted in 2013, and then rolled out in phases nationally to Jobcentre Plus offices (JCPs). Local JCPs in Hampshire started to go ‘live’ in April 2015 (Southampton), and the rest of Hampshire by August 2018.</p>

<p>DWP 2 year olds: September 2017</p> <p>Source: Early Years Reporting tool and data provided to HCC by DWP</p>	<p>The latest DWP data and the data extracted from the Early Years Reporting Tool on 16th February 2018 showed there were 264 eligible 2 year olds within the Eastleigh district. Of these 188 became claims for 2 year old funding. This represents 71% of the total that would have been eligible actually taking up the offer of the two year old funding with an approved provider.</p>
<p>Employment profiles and income: Source:</p> <p>http://www3.hants.gov.uk/factsandfigures/figures-economics/hants_labour_market.htm</p> <p>https://www.eastleigh.gov.uk/media/2053/appendix-1-eastleigh-borough-local-plan-2016-2036.pdf</p>	<p>The Borough has a population of 129,500 of which around 71,000 are of working age.</p> <p>Economic activity rates are high, with 82% employment compared to 76.1% in the Solent LEP and 73.7% nationally. However, the levels of in- (32,500) and out- (3,400) commuting suggest a possible mismatch between the jobs available in the Borough (tending towards lower skill and pay levels) and those of the resident population. The Borough is a net exporter of professional and technical (Level 4 qualified) residents.</p> <p>The most extensive industrial areas are at Eastleigh, Chandler's Ford, Hedge End and Hamble. In 2014 Eastleigh generated over £3.5 billion of goods and services (GVA)⁸.</p>
<p>Housing Development Source:</p> <p>https://www.eastleigh.gov.uk/media/2053/appendix-1-eastleigh-borough-local-plan-2016-2036.pdf</p>	<p>Eastleigh new housing plans include:</p> <p>The development of approximately 5,200 dwellings (3,350 within the plan period) on a strategic growth option north of Bishopstoke and north and east of Fair Oak (policy S5);</p> <p>iii. The development of approximately 5,680 dwellings on</p>

	<p>strategic sites at:</p> <p>a. South of Chestnut Avenue, Eastleigh at Stoneham Park (1,100 dwellings);</p> <p>b. West of Horton Heath (950 dwellings);</p> <p>c. West of Woodhouse Lane, Hedge End (800 dwellings);</p> <p>d. Boorley Green and Botley (1,700 dwellings);</p> <p>e. Land at Firtree Farm, Fair Oak (450 dwellings); and</p> <p>f. Land north of Hedge End Station (680 dwellings)</p> <p>ii. The development of approximately 4,400 dwellings on smaller sites which already have planning permission or will come forward</p> <p>iii. Provision for approximately 610 dwellings on new smaller greenfield sites adjoining the settlements of Allbrook, Bishopstoke, Bursledon, Fair Oak, Hedge End, Netley and West End.</p>
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2. Childcare places analysis

2.1 Childcare mix

This data is produced by the Local Development Team for Ofsted registered childcare from known changes in the childcare market that have occurred within the periods noted.

Table 1: Childcare Places

Provider type	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 (- / +)
Childminders	Q3 1 Q4 5	3 24	0 2	0 9	3 15
Home child carers	Q3 0 Q4 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0

EYE Non domestic premises – full day care	Q3 0 Q4 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0
EYE Non domestic premises – term-time care	Q3 0 Q4 0	0 0	1 0	16 0	16 0
Holiday playschemes	Q3 0 Q4 1	0 60	0 0	0 0	0 60
Out of School clubs (inc. Breakfast and After School)	Q3 0 Q4 0	0 0	1 0	15 0	-15 0

Comment:

The data shared for this reporting period highlighted that there is an increase of 78 childcare places and a loss of 16 places equating to a total net gain of 62 places. However it is noted that within this data, there was an actual gain of 18 early years places within the childminding sector.

2.2 New childcare and early years provision known at quarter 3 and 4

This is data that is known to the Local Development Team of childcare developments that have completed registration in the period. This data includes all types of provision including childminders.

Table 2: New Provision

Ward	Postcode	Age range	Registered places			Type of setting FDC/SC/OSC/ CM/HC
Bishopstoke West	SO50	0-7		3		CM
Hamble le Rice and Butlocks Heath	SO31	5-7		3		CM
Chandlers Ford East	SO53	5-7		60		OSC
Fair Oak and Horton Heath	SO50	0-7		6		CM
Bishopstoke West	SO50	0-7		6		CM
Hamble le Rice and Butlocks Heath	SO31	0-7		6		CM
Fair Oak and Horton Heath	SO50	0-7		3		CM

Comment:

The data from quarter three and quarter four highlights an increase of six childminders creating 27 childcare places across the ward opening within the reporting period. The

Table 5: Provision Closed

Ward	Postcode	Age range	Registered places	Type of setting FDC/SC/OSC/C M/HC
West End North	SO30		16	OSC
Bishopstoke West	SO50	0-5	3	CM
Eastleigh Central	SO50	0-5	6	CM
Total				

Comment:

Ofsted inspections are resulting in the removal from the Early Years Register of childminders who are currently not supporting children. Where childminders have 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 to the higher cost of the childcare register only option.

All the closures highlighted within the reporting period are across several wards in the borough and equate to 25 childcare places.

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 school nursery classes, state or private nursery schools, day nurseries, playgroups or pre-schools and with approved childminders.

Free early years education is available in 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 <http://www.hants.gov.uk/parents/cis/eye/2-year-old-offer-2.htm>

Table 6: Take up of early years education by eligible two year olds
Source : HCC Early Years Tool Headcount/ DWP data (2 year olds)

Spring Term 2018 data provided by DWP as at 7 September 2017						Capita One headcount spring 2018. New Early Years Reporting Tool - data extracted 16 February 2018	
Ward	1 Term: Jan 18	2 Terms: Jan 18, Apr 18	3 Terms: Jan 18, Apr 18, Sep 18	Grand Total	%	No children	% take-up
Bishopstoke East	2	2	3	7	2.7%	5	71%
Bishopstoke West	7	7	3	17	6.4%	11	65%
Botley	1	11	3	15	5.7%	10	67%
Bursledon and Old Netley	5	1	10	16	6.1%	10	63%
Chandler's Ford East	2	4	2	8	3.0%	3	38%
Chandler's Ford West	2	4		6	2.3%	5	83%
Eastleigh Central	8	17	20	45	17.0%	23	51%
Eastleigh North	6	6	6	18	6.8%	16	89%
Eastleigh South	13	21	14	48	18.2%	40	83%
Fair Oak and Horton Heath	3		2	5	1.9%	11	220%
Hamble-le-Rice and Butlocks Heath	2	5	1	8	3.0%	4	50%
Hedge End Grange Park	2	4	8	14	5.3%	10	71%
Hedge End St John's	4	2	3	9	3.4%	8	89%
Hedge End Wildern	2	2	4	8	3.0%	9	113%
Hiltingbury East			2	2	0.8%	1	50%
Hiltingbury West	1	4	2	7	2.7%	4	57%
Netley Abbey	3	8	1	12	4.5%	9	75%
West End North	2	6	2	10	3.8%	7	70%
West End South	3	4	2	9	3.4%	2	22%
Eastleigh	68	108	88	264	100%	188	71%

Comment:

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 <http://www.hants.gov.uk/parents/cis/eye/2-year-old-offer-2.htm>

The percentage of take up of eligible 2 year olds against the Department of Work and Pensions (DWP) data on numbers of eligible 2 year olds for Eastleigh has a 71% take up rate. The most numbers of children eligible for DWP are located within the Eastleigh Central, North and South wards.

The data taken from the Services for Young Children Early Years Reporting Tool from 16th February 2018 also highlights that Hamble le Rice and Butlocks Heath and West End South wards have low numbers of two year old funded children taking up a childcare place. The Chandlers Ford East ward needs to be monitored by the Childcare Development Business Officer further, as this only has a take up of two year olds of 38%

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 including childminders:

This is based on the settings that are approved to deliver early years funding in March 2018 with capacity. The details of providers that offer the extended entitlement (30 hours) can be found at <https://www.hants.gov.uk/payingforchildcare/freechildcare/3and4yearoldoffer>

Details of all providers who have agreed to be published can be found through the Family Information Directory at <https://fid.hants.gov.uk/>.

Table 7 Summary by ward of type of all providers approved to deliver early years education

Source: All Services Report Capita One – September 2018

Hampshire Children Only	No. of Settings(PVI/CM)	Places (max. nos.)	PVI/CM offering Two year old places	PVI/CM offering 30 hours
Bishopstoke East	1 PVI 6CM	48	7	7
Bishopstoke West	2PVI 2 CM	67	4	4
Botley	2PVI 3 CM	98	5	5
Bursledon and Old Netley	5PVI 8 CM	186	12	12
Chandler's Ford East	3PVI 3 CM	120	9	9
Chandler's Ford West	5PVI 4 CM	180	8	8
Eastleigh Central	10PVI 10CM	500	19	20
Eastleigh North	2PVI 7 CM	78	7	9
Eastleigh South	4PVI 7 CM	152	9	11
Fair Oak and Horton Heath	8PVI 9 CM	312	15	17
Hamble-le-Rice and Butlocks Heath	3PVI 4 CM	120	7	7
Hedge End Grange Park	5PVI 5 CM	197	10	10
Hedge End St John's	5PVI 6 CM	226	11	11
Hedge End Wildern	9CM	25	7	9
Hiltingbury East	1PVI 3 CM	49	4	4
Hiltingbury West	4PVI 3 CM	159	6	7
Netley Abbey	1PVI 10 CM	52	11	11
West End North	4PVI	200	4	4
West End South	2PVI 1 CM	59	3	3

3.3 Development of Childminder EYE Provision

There has been a marked increase of Childminders registering for Early Years Education Funding during this reporting period. There are a total of 132 Ofsted registered child minders in the Eastleigh district area. Out of this total of 132, there are 100 who are approved to deliver early year's education so 75% offering this to families in the district.

There are currently 25 child minders awaiting their first Ofsted inspection and two child minders who hold a below good grading from Ofsted.

3.4 Development of Group EYE provision

There are 67 childcare settings delivering early years education who are a mix of private, voluntary and maintained settings.

With the new setting planned for the Eastleigh Central area, this will create an additional 43 childcare places.

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

Table 8: Early Years Education take-up of 2, 3 and 4 year olds as at spring 2018 (taken from the Early Years Reporting Tool)

	2yr old Claims	2yr old SAPF	% 2yr old Take Up	3yr old Claims	3yr old SAPF	% 3yr old Take Up	4yr old Claims	4yr old SAPF	% 4yr old Take Up
Eastleigh	223	1517	14.70%	1510	1593	94.79%	1514	1589	95.28%
Bishopstoke East Ward	7	62	11.29%	56	59	94.92%	50	46	108.70%
Bishopstoke West Ward	12	65	18.46%	77	81	95.06%	74	72	102.78%
Botley Ward	10	55	18.18%	50	56	89.29%	53	69	76.81%
Bursledon and Old Netley Ward	13	82	15.85%	91	93	97.85%	79	99	79.80%
Chandler's Ford East Ward	4	54	7.41%	53	59	89.83%	49	55	89.09%
Chandler's Ford West Ward	5	60	8.33%	52	48	108.33%	49	58	84.48%
Eastleigh Central Ward	24	162	14.81%	178	170	104.71%	179	173	103.47%
Eastleigh North Ward	24	95	25.26%	106	105	100.95%	90	103	87.38%
Eastleigh South Ward	49	139	35.25%	123	151	81.46%	179	138	129.71%

Fair Oak and Horton Heath Ward	16	86	18.60%	97	94	103.19%	99	101	98.02%
Hamble-le-Rice and Butlocks Heath Ward	5	76	6.58%	62	77	80.52%	53	59	89.83%
Hedge End Grange Park Ward	10	151	6.62%	155	158	98.10%	152	168	90.48%
Hedge End St John's Ward	8	92	8.70%	87	89	97.75%	90	103	87.38%
Hedge End Wildern Ward	11	63	17.46%	75	59	127.12%	58	56	103.57%
Hiltingbury East Ward	1	32	3.13%	41	40	102.50%	55	49	112.24%
Hiltingbury West Ward	3	50	6.00%	56	51	109.80%	69	74	93.24%
Netley Abbey Ward	9	62	14.52%	58	66	87.88%	56	59	94.92%
West End North Ward	7	55	12.73%	51	74	68.92%	42	46	91.30%
West End South Ward	5	76	6.58%	42	63	66.67%	38	61	62.30%

Comment:

Table 8 provides the numbers of children in the 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. It is noted that some percentages are greater than 100% this is due to SAPF being a modelled population forecast and the numbers of actual children is greater than the prediction made at this time.

The table above indicates that the majority of 3 and 4 years olds across the district are accessing most of their early years entitlement with the exception of the Netley Abbey, Hamble, Eastleigh South and West End wards who are notably lower than the expected take up of Early Years funding for three year olds within the district.

4. Development for 30 hours Childcare

The Department for Education (DfE) published a revised [policy statement](#) which provides details for the implementation of the Childcare Bill and specifically the extension of the free early years education entitlement from 15 hours to 30 hours. From 1 September 2017, the Government extended the free childcare entitlement for working parents of 3 and 4-year-olds, to 30 hours per week for 38 weeks of the year.

The Childcare Development and Business Officer has looked at data from the 30 hours Early Years reporting tool to try and identify areas that may require additional support to meet the 30 hour programme.

Table 9 – Eligible children by ward (Source 30 hours EY Forecaster modelling tool)

Children Eligible for 30 hours Offer						
Year	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23
Eastleigh	1085	1024	1009	1029	1051	1059
Bishopstoke East	42	38	34	34	33	32
Bishopstoke West	51	43	49	47	49	48
Botley	34	41	49	54	61	69
Bursledon and Old Netley	62	54	67	72	76	76
Chandlers Ford East	41	36	36	36	36	36
Chandlers Ford West	34	37	39	39	40	40
Eastleigh Central	106	100	94	90	92	90
Eastleigh North	66	60	68	67	64	64
Eastleigh South	90	80	80	82	83	84
Fair Oak and Horton Heath	62	65	71	79	81	82
Hamble-le-Rice and Butlocks Heath	53	51	40	42	42	42
Hedge End Grange Park	110	93	92	90	90	93
Hedge End St Johns	64	73	67	69	69	68
Hedge End Wildern	42	43	40	40	41	41
Hiltingbury East	28	25	26	26	28	28
Hiltingbury West	33	37	40	39	39	39
Netley Abbey	46	41	35	36	36	36
West End North	62	43	42	46	50	50
West End South	58	65	41	42	41	41

Comment

Table 9 has identified that the number of children who are eligible for 30 hours childcare come from all the wards within the district, however the greatest proportion identified are from the Hedge End, Eastleigh Central, Bursledon, North and South wards.

Data from the census report January 2018 and the Early years reporting tool highlights a high take up of the 30 hour offer from families in the district and 99% of settings and childminders signed up for the 30 hour offer.

The Childcare Development and Business Officer needs to devise a strategy and work alongside all current childcare provision to ensure that there is sufficient childcare across the district to meet this new market demand and identify those settings that are limiting the 30 hour offer.

5. Quality of the Ofsted Registered provision:

5.1 Ofsted data at the end of quarter 4

This includes the data on the Ofsted outcomes for the district and is a snapshot of the position of all Ofsted registered provision as it stands at 31 March 2018.

Table 10: Quality of provision as at March 2018

Source: All Services Report Capita One

Type of settings	Outstanding	Good /Met	Requires Improvement	Inadequate	Awaiting inspection
EYE Group Providers	35%	48%	1%	0	16%
EYE Childminders	21%	61%	2%	0	16%
Other Childminders	0	21%	0	6%	28%
Independent Schools (Nursery Provision)	0	0	0	0	3
Holiday – After school provision	11%	50%	0	0	39%

Comment:

Eastleigh has increased to 98% of its early years PVI education providers holding an Ofsted Good or Outstanding grading and there are thirteen settings awaiting an inspection.

Childminders have twenty five settings awaiting an inspection but have also improved during this reporting period so that 96% of all childminders are holding a good or outstanding grading.

Out of School provision has 100% of its provision holding an Ofsted Good or Outstanding grading and there are 15 settings awaiting an inspection.

There are a high proportion of 53 childcare provisions across the sector awaiting their first inspection judgement.

5.2 Number of funded two year olds in Ofsted rated less than 'good' provision

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.

There are three settings within the district that hold an Ofsted grading that is below good and take funded two year old children. There are a total of four children attending one setting with a 'Requires Improvement' outcome and the Local Development Team is working with this setting to improve practice.

Table 11: Number of funded two year olds in Ofsted rated less than “Good” provision.

Ward with setting rated less than "Good"	Number of 2YOs in these settings
Eastleigh Central	0
Eastleigh South	4
Hamble le Rice and Butlocks Heath	0

6. Development of provision for Special Educational Needs

Service for Young Children’s 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 the parents’ choice of setting, however, where a child’s needs cannot be met by this provider, we will work to support the identification of an appropriate alternative.

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							
	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
District							
Eastleigh	165	2263	7.3%	9	33	42	1.86%
County	1502	20973	7.2%	81	384	465	2.28%
Out of County	8	1233	0.64%	2	6	8	0.64%

For Eastleigh the number of children currently attending early years education and being supported by the Inclusion Team for SEN is aligned with the county average. The number of children that currently meet the criteria for the SEN Inclusion Fund is 0.42% 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

According to the information available on the data base of Services for Young Children there are a total of 38 out of school child care providers within Eastleigh Borough Council. The current Ofsted position with existing out of school childcare registered

providers stands at four settings holding an 'Outstanding', nineteen holding a 'Good', and there are currently fifteen that are awaiting their first Ofsted inspection.

Over this reporting period this type of provision has had the most increase and expansion of childcare places equating to 404 places.

The highest proportion of the out of school settings within the district, are run by third party providers using schools and community spaces as venues. Where populations of children will grow in planned new housing developments there may be a need for additional out of school childcare places to support these areas. Child minders within the district continue to contribute to this type of childcare.

8. Parental demand

There have been no significant reports of parental demand not being met within Eastleigh in the last quarter. However since September 2017, with the implementation of 30 hours childcare places, there have been a number of queries in the district from parents regarding fee structures and pricing policies in settings.

9. Conclusion

Table 13 – overall gain and loss of childcare places for April 2017 – March 2018

Provider type	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 (- / +)
Childminders	11	40	7	28	12
Home child carer	0	0	0	0	0
EYE Non-Domestic Premises – Full Day Care	3	87	0	0	87
EYE Non-Domestic Premises – Term Time Care	1	30	3	96	-66
Holiday Playscheme	0	0	1	16	-16

Out of School Care (inc Breakfast and After School Clubs)	8	404	0	0	404
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Comment

After analysis of the data available from 1 April 2017 until 30 March 2018, the opening balance of childcare places against the closures highlights an overall gain of 421 childcare places. However the majority of these places are contributions from an increase in after school and holiday provision within the district. The actual increase in early years places equates to 33 childcare places.

During this reporting period the current childcare market need was identified as being met, however this needs to be reviewed in line with the housing developments and the 30 hour offer from September 2017.

There is also an additional new setting proposed in the near future in the Eastleigh Central which will create an additional 43 early years places.

The impact of the 30 hour offer remains a focus for the Local Development Team with support and guidance available to help settings support the growth of this sector of childcare places.

During this year there has been a marked increase in providers approved to take funded two year olds which now equates to 66 private, voluntary and independent (PVI) providers and 100 child minders.

Demographic and population changes

Table14: Small Area Population Forecasts (SAPF 2018) over next five years

	Aged 0	Aged 1	Aged 2	Aged 3	Aged 4
2018	1489	1432	1487	1539	1621
2019	1521	1510	1467	1519	1572
2020	1564	1553	1545	1514	1561
2021	1594	1593	1587	1582	1566
2022	1618	1612	1617	1614	1611

For the pre-school age range from 2018 – 2022 the population forecasts show a year on year increase in the 0-1 age range. However within the 2,3 and 4 year old age ranges there is a decrease in numbers from 2018 to 2020 and then a year on year increase thereafter.

The latest information taken from the Small Area Population Forecast (January 2018) highlights that there is an increase of 506 children aged 0-4 from 2018 to 2022. (See link below for more detail)

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

Childcare places and trends

Parental demand for childcare places will increase over the coming years as a consequence of new housing, growing population forecasts and also with the increase from September 2017 in the eligibility criteria for additional hours within the DfE's 30 hours initiative.

There has been a growth of 157 early years places with the opening of four new childcare places within this reporting period and a loss of 124 places. It is noted that all the gains are full day care nurseries and the losses are traditional sessional preschools. There has also been a huge increase in the number of places being offered through holiday provision and after school care equating to eight new settings offering 404 places.

The focus for the Childcare Development Business Officer will be to increase the number of early years childcare places, through the work with existing early years providers and with establishing new settings in areas, where there will be new housing. Work is already underway with premises providers to encourage this growth.

Major strategic developments are being planned for West End and the Fair Oak and Horton Heath wards and the Childcare Development and Business Officer is working alongside Hampshire County Council, Eastleigh Borough Council and the developers to ensure that childcare is included in the new plans for these developments.

EYE entitlement places and trends in take up

The Childcare Development and Business Officer has identified supply and demand of childcare places and undertaken further research using current sufficiency data for the district. The research has highlighted that there would be a capacity issue for EYE places within the following wards: Bursledon, Botley, Netley Abbey and Fair Oak and Horton Heath.

Some wards within the district have been citing more capacity in places than is usual in the market place, but this capacity will be absorbed with the 30 hour offer.

Two year old take up continues to grow and the demand for places has been steadily increasing, however since the previous sufficiency report there has been a decline in the take up of funded two year old childcare places from 73% of eligible two year olds taking up a childcare place in the district to 71%.

A strategy is being devised to address the childcare gaps in some wards and focus on identifying specific pieces of work, in line with the gaps in the childcare market within this district.

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

According to the Hampshire Labour Market Bulletins the benefit claimants in Eastleigh have increased over this reporting period by 40 claimants. The Labour Market Profile data for Eastleigh also highlights that there are a total of 450 claimants in March 2018 and that the majority of these are on out of work benefits.

The Eastleigh district has been one of the first Universal Credit roll out areas for the county. Under the Universal Credit criteria the report highlights that a greater number of claimants are required to look for work than previously under the Job Seekers allowance criteria.

Quality of provision

There are currently 67 early years education approved providers within the district and 10 of these are settings waiting for their first Ofsted grading. Ofsted outcomes for the district are positive with 83% of childcare settings achieving an Ofsted grading of “Good or Outstanding” with 35% of these achieving an “Outstanding” grade.

There are currently 66 PVI settings and 91 childminders who are approved to take children who are in receipt of two year old funding. During the period from September 2017, there have been 188 children approved for funding in the Eastleigh district. The majority of these children are from the Eastleigh wards.

In addition it has been noted that there has been an improvement in quality of the existing early years market in Eastleigh over the last year with the voluntary closures of poor provision and an improvement in many Ofsted outcomes including within the childminding sector. There is now only one early years education (EYE) group providers and one EYE childminder holding less than a ‘Good’ Ofsted outcome.

Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) development

Information from the monitoring reports at the end of quarter 4 indicated that there were 111 children supported by the Eastleigh Inclusion team and that there are also 54 families being supported from the Early Years Portage team.

The monitoring reports across the year have highlighted that social communication issues have been the highest request for support from settings from the Area Inclusion teams.

Developments and any changes in the locality that affect childcare

There has been a loss of 140 places between 1 April 2017 – 30 March 2018 and an increase of 561 childcare places, with a net effect of an increase of 421 childcare places in the Eastleigh district. Areas of concern are across the childcare sector which highlighted that there was a loss of 96 places with closures of three pre-schools in the Hedge End Area, Botley and Chandlers Ford West wards.

With the growing numbers of 2 year olds and expected increased demand for funded places with the 30 hour delivery, this will need to be addressed and be the focus for the Local Development Team (LDT) going forward. The Department of Work and Pensions now provides information to the local authority on where parents live that have 2 year

olds meeting the eligibility criteria for a funded place so that these areas can be the focus for growth of new places.

Some areas (those already mentioned) may become a challenge, but it is expected that through the work of the Childcare Development Business Officer with existing providers and premises providers including local council and parish council partners that the market provision of places will grow.

There has been work undertaken to create new places in the areas already identified as having a high need; particularly around central Eastleigh, Fair Oak and Horton Heath, Burseldon and Netley wards.

In addition it has been noted that there has been an improvement in quality of the existing early years market in Eastleigh over the last year with the voluntary closures of poor provision and an improvement in many Ofsted outcomes including within the childminding sector. There are now only 4 early years education (EYE) group providers and 3 EYE childminders holding less than a 'Good' Ofsted outcome.

Identified Gaps and Action Plan

According to Hampshire's childcare information data, in Eastleigh there are 132 childminders of which 100 are approved for Early Years Education funding. There has been a focus of recruiting more childminders to offer Early Years Education funding and this number is slowly increasing with further work still to be done, especially within the small villages and areas such as Botley, Hamble and Bishopstoke.

The Small Area Population forecast at ward level also suggests that the Fair Oak and Horton Heath, Botley, Burseldon, West End, Eastleigh, and Bishopstoke wards need to be also prioritised as the new housing plans for the area highlights further new homes are to be built between 2016 – 2036 within these wards.

The new homes identified within the Eastleigh Borough plan are:

Eastleigh north, south and central wards 709 new homes

Botley ward 1400 new homes

Burseldon ward 327 new homes

Bishopstoke wards 145 new homes

Netley ward 80 new homes

Hedge End wards 106 new homes

Two larger strategic locations for housing have been identified within the West End and the Fair Oak and Horton Heath wards.

The previous gaps in the market identified for funded places for full day care in the Hamble-le-Rice and Butlocks Heath wards has been addressed, with two new settings opening within this reporting period. The new priorities are linked closely to new developments within the Botley, Bishopstoke, West End and Fair Oak and Horton Heath wards.

The focus for the Childcare Development Business Officer will be to increase the number of childcare places through the work with existing early years providers and with establishing new settings in areas, where there will be new housing. Work is already underway with premises providers to encourage this growth.

The closure of three sessional settings during this reporting period, could suggest a take-up preference from parents for more flexibility and longer opening hours than the traditional sessional model of childcare.

The Childcare Development Business Officer will continue with the on going work to monitor take up of early years childcare places, and identify where this needs to be addressed and prioritised.

Over the coming year the Childcare Development and Business Officer will be prioritising the new developments and supporting premises providers to appoint early years providers in the central/south Eastleigh wards, Fair Oak and Horton Heath wards. A strategy has been devised to address the childcare gaps in some wards and focus on identifying specific pieces of work, in line with the gaps in the childcare market within this district.