



Hampshire
County Council

Children and Young People Select Committee

Early Years Education Provision
Wednesday 3 October 2013

Early Years Education entitlement

- Childcare Act 2009
 - 3 & 4 year old entitlement is 570 hours per year which can be stretched or offered 15 hours, 38 weeks per year
- Education Act 2011 introduced the 2 year old entitlement
 - 2009-11 pilot 280-1000 children
 - 2013 numbers of eligible 2 year olds increased to 2,100
 - 2013 criteria
 - Range of benefits and less than £16,190
 - Children In Care
 - 2014 criteria changes
 - Adds statement of Special Educational Needs
 - Disability Living Allowance
 - Left care through special guardianship or adoption
 - Numbers of eligible 2 year olds will increase to 4,200 children

Early Years Education take up

- 96% of three year olds take up some Early Years Education (2012 census)
- Three year old average hours = 13
- 1,672 Two year olds (Sep 2013)
- 2,259 families contacted
- Two year old average hours = 14 (2013 census)

Provision

- 663 settings
- 11 maintained nursery units
- 3 maintained nursery schools
- 439 approved childminders
- Total 1,116 providers
- Market composition –
 - 3% independent,
 - <1% locally maintained nursery schools,
 - 3% childminders
 - 40% day nursery
 - 54% preschool
- 451 two year old settings
- 402 2 year old approved childminders
- Total 853 providers (over 76% of market)

Funding

- Average rate £4.29 per hour for three and four year old range
- From Sept 2013 £5.07 per hour for two year old range

Market pressures

- Population
- Housing