

# Market Position Statement for 2, 3 and 4 year Funded Early Education Entitlement places May 2018



## Introduction

The early year's sector consists of the private, voluntary and independent group-care settings, childminders and the school sector. Together they provide a wide range of services for parents and carers, to support those wanting to return to work and are key services that support children in readiness to start school.

## Key priorities

Leicester's Education and Children's Services working with partners to provide the best quality experiences for children and young people to be safe, learn, achieve and grow.

Achieve outcome to ensure - Efficient and effective use of resources:

- Deliver services that meet statutory responsibilities
- Ensure access to good school and childcare

## Securing sufficient childcare

Leicester City Council has a statutory duty to secure sufficient childcare places, as far as is reasonably practicable, to meet the requirements of working parents / carers, or parents/ carers who are studying or training for employment, for children aged 0-14 (or up to 18 for disabled children).

## Purpose

This report has been developed to look at the current childcare market position, to support the local authority and potential new and existing providers to understand the market. To ensure funding and growth is channelled in the appropriate geographical areas where we have gaps in FEEE provision. In order to have strategic approach to planning of places for short and long term needs. Essentially a snapshot of Leicester City's supply and demand childcare profile. This report will also highlight macro factors in a local context which is affecting the sufficiency of 2, 3 and 4 year old FEEE.

## Methodology

The methodology for assessment, analysis and moderation is detailed for the various data sources:

## **PVI CM Capacities**

These are taken from the capacity reported in the Provider Agreement (terms and conditions for delivery of FEEE) numbers moderated to reflect:-

- Indicative Registration Numbers per Ofsted
- Capacities as stated for CSA 2016.
- Adjustments are made (if necessary) to allow for places for Under 2YOs and also 2YO FDC (paid) places.
- Comparing and adjusting in line with actual take-up over the 3 terms to Spr-2018.

## **Schools Capacities**

- Reception Class capacity has been taken from the Schools Admissions booklet for 2018/19.
- Nursery Class capacity has been taken from the information we have from CSA 2016
- Adjustments are made (if necessary) for Nursery Class places for Sole 30 hour places in line with actual take-up in the Autumn 17 and Spring 18 terms.

## **2 YO FEEE places: Demand and Surplus/Deficit workings**

The target figures used are from the August 17 DWP list i.e. the target numbers for Autumn Term 2017

The workings for indicative surplus/deficit of places for each Ward are based on 70% of the DWP target figures which is in line with the national take-up percentage.

## **3 and 4 YO FEEE/School places: Demand**

The target figures are based on the Population Data from GP Lists (2017) which is the data used for Children's Centre Data Reports.

## **4 YO Reception Class places: Surplus/Deficit workings**

- The indicative Surplus or Deficit for each ward is simply the difference between the Reception Class Capacity and the 4YO Population.
- If there is a deficit at a ward level then this difference is added to the 3YO population for that ward when working out the 3 and 4YO places surplus/deficits.
- If there is a surplus then it is not adjusted.
- Overall the Surplus/Deficit figures are not material.

## **3 and 4 YO FEEE places and School Nursery Class places: Surplus/Deficit workings**

- The overall indicative target for 30 hour FEEE (per DfE - Apr-17) is 1,880. The 3 and 4 YO adjusted population is split into 1,880 as being eligible for 30 hour FEEE and the balance for 15 hour FEEE.
- The surplus/deficit working for 30 hour FEEE places is then simply the difference between the indicative capacities for 30 hour FEEE places (PVI, CM and School Nurseries) and the proportionate target figure of eligible 3 and 4YO.

- The surplus/deficit working for 15 hour FEEE places is then simply the difference between the indicative capacities for 15 hour FEEE places (PVI, CM and School Nurseries) and the balance of the 3 and 4YO adjusted population figure.

There is a further adjustment then made as follows for each Ward:

If the above workings indicate a deficit of 30 hour places but a Surplus of 15 hour places then an appropriate number of the 15 hour places are assumed to be made available for 30 hours (Two 15 hour places = One 30 hour place).

## Cluster and ward analysis of Sufficiency of FEEE places

The key finding for the cluster and ward level analysis, is based on data up to May 2018 (spring term 2018).

- 123 (99%) of 124 PVI providers in the city deliver FEEE places.
- 101 (82%) PVI providers currently deliver 2 year FEEE places.
- 64 (56%) of 115 CM's to deliver FEEE places.
- 59 (92%) of CM's deliver 2 year FEEE places.

### Schools

- 50 of our 74 school's deliver early years provision (nursery provision and reception class).
- No school's deliver 2 years FEEE places in the city.
- 15 (20%) of school's signed up to deliver 30 hours EE, either sole and blended in May 2017.
- 10 (13%) of school's signed up to deliver 30 hours EE as blended only in May 2017.

### Citywide summary of capacity (Supply)

- 3,508 2 year FEEE places
- 8,835 3 and 4 year old FEEE (15 hours) places
- 1,941 3 and 4 year old 30 Hour EE places ( 87% of the 30 EE capacity is provided in the PVI sector.)

### City wide summary of take-up (Demand)

- 2 years FEEE take-up 57.1% (academic year 2017/18)
- 3 and 4 year FEEE (15 hours) take-up 92% (autumn 2017- snapshot).
- 3 and 4 year (30 hours EE) take-up 81%, with 1529 receiving their entitlement through either sole or blended.

## Sufficiency analysis

Table 1 shows a summary of the analysis at cluster and ward level, it identifies which wards have significant gaps in 2, 3 and 4 year FEEE (15 and 30 hours Extended Entitlement). The city

is segmented into 6 clusters, the analysis identifies 5 clusters with gaps, highlighted in red are gaps in places for specific wards. Table 2 shows the Full Cluster and Ward analysis of sufficiency of FEEE places (May 2018).

**Table 1 – A summary of the 5 clusters where gaps have been identified in one or more of the FEEE provisions**

Cluster	Ward	2 year FEEE Places	15 hours places for 3 and 4 YOs	30 hour places for 3 and 4 YOs
<b>CENTRAL</b>	Spinney hills	(8)		
<b>EAST</b>	Evington	(11)		(41)
	Humberstone and Hamilton	(14)		(42)
	Thurncourt		(55)	
<b>NORTH WEST</b>	Abbey	(4)		(7)
	Fosse	(3)	(85)	(51)
<b>SOUTH</b>	Aylestone			(25)
	Saffron			(15)
<b>WEST</b>	Braunstone Park and Rowley Fields			(7)
	Western			(72)

## Headlines for Cluster and Ward information

### Central Cluster

- 1 out of 4 wards has a deficit of places, Spinney hills identified with 8 deficit places.
- There are no sufficiency concerns in this cluster as Central cluster total for 2, 3 and 4 year old is in positive numbers and therefore a surplus of provision, and more geographical spread and choice for families.

### East Cluster

- All 3 of the wards have deficit of places, Evington, Humberstone and Hamilton and Thurncourt.
- Looking at East Cluster totals we have a deficit of 18 places for 2 year FEEE, 53 places deficit for 3 and 4 year (UE) and 83 places deficit for 3 and 4 year (30 hours EE places).

### North Cluster

- We have sufficient 2, 3 and 4 year FEEE provision for the cluster.
- Surplus places in Belgrave and North Evington for 30 hours EE, balance out the provision for Troon and Rusheymead.

## North West Cluster

- 2 of the wards have deficit of places these are Abbey and Fosse ward.
- Both wards have a deficit for 2, 3 and 4 years old FEEE places.
- There are significant concerns about sufficiency of places in the areas for all FEEE provision, as the geographical area is vast and therefore the distance between wards provides a barrier to access for parents.

## South Cluster

- 2 of the 4 wards have a deficit of places, these are Aylestone and Saffron wards.
- Both the deficits are for 3 and 4 years old (30 hour EE) places.
- As a cluster there is a small deficit of 8 places, for 30 hour provision. Although as a cluster they demonstrate sufficiency.

## West Cluster

- Two the 3 wards have a deficit for 3 and 4 year old (30 hours EE places), in Braunstone Park and Rowley Fields and Western Wards.
- As a cluster there is a sufficiency of places due to the surplus in other wards which has balanced number of places for whole cluster.

Although we have gaps in 5 of the 6 cluster areas, 3 of the cluster have deficits and surpluses in individual wards, as a result cancel out the deficit in places. There are 2 clusters where we have deficient places for FEEE.

- **East** – Evington and Humberstone and Hamilton wards have a deficit for 2 years FEEE and 30 hours EE.
- **East** – Thurncourt ward has a deficit of 3 and 4 year (15 hours) FEEE places.
- **North West** – Fosse ward has a deficit of 3 and 4 years 15 FEEE and 30 hours EE.

The sufficiency analysis in this report is based purely on the current market, supply and demand chain. However as a city we do not look at sufficiency in isolation and consider quality of provision as part of the snapshot. As OFSTED outcomes determine a provider's ability to provide FEEE places particularly for 2 year FEEE. High quality childcare for all our children is key to reducing the learning gap of our most vulnerable children a key factor contributing to school readiness and improved outcomes.

Therefore it's important to highlight challenges:

- The market picture is a fluctuating picture impacted with setting closures, OFSTED quality outcomes below Good and changes to the demographic affect sufficiency needs.
- Low take –up of 2 year FEEE places 2018 (57.1%).
- There has been a decrease of 3% since last year 2017 of (60.7%).
- Year on year reduction of take –up of 3 and 4 year old FEEE 92% (autumn 2017) in comparison to 97% (autumn 2016).
- Long term impact of 30 EE on the early years sector, and particular school nurseries sustainability.

- Our autumn 2017 FEEE take-up data shows an increase in take-up of 3 and 4 year old places in the PVI and CM sectors and a corresponding decrease in numbers of funded 2 year olds in settings compared to Aut-2016 corresponding data.
- Further work needs to be carried out on SEND inclusive FEEE places and mapping , and unmet demand

**Table 2 - Cluster and ward analysis of sufficiency of FEEE places using capacity information as at May 2018**

Cluster	Ward	Number of 2YOs eligible for FEEE	Population of 3 and 4 years olds	Numbers of settings signed up to deliver FEEE			Surplus (Deficit) At 70% of DWP data		Surplus (Deficit) of Population per GP Lists (2017)	
		Per Aug 17 DWP list of eligibility numbers for Autumn 18	Per GP Lists (2017) as used for Children's Centre data	PVIs	CMs	Schools	2YO FEEE places	15 hour places for 3 and 4 YOs	30 hour places for 3 and 4 YOs	Reception class places for 4YOs
Central	Castle	39	222	13	1	2	133	400	131	Overall indicative deficit has been adjusted and reflected in the working for 3 and 4YO (UE and EE) places.
	Spinney Hills	123	437	3	0	3	(8)	31	0	
	Stoneygate	183	608	11	0	3	20	65	127	
	Wycliffe	164	569	9	0	4	133	300	22	
<b>Central Cluster Totals</b>		<b>509</b>	<b>1,836</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>278</b>	<b>796</b>	<b>280</b>	
East	Evington	104	539	3	3	4	(11)	1	0	
	Humberstone and Hamilton	120	704	4	1	5	(14)	1	(41)	
	Thurncourt	73	352	2	7	2	7	(55)	(42)	
<b>East Cluster Totals</b>		<b>297</b>	<b>1,595</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>(18)</b>	<b>(53)</b>	<b>(83)</b>	
North	Belgrave	101	381	8	2	3	149	326	69	
	North Evington	203	723	7	6	5	75	279	37	
	Rushey Mead	88	415	4	2	5	6	151	0	
	Troon	97	408	4	2	3	80	133	0	

<b>North Cluster Totals</b>		<b>489</b>	<b>1,927</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>889</b>	<b>106</b>
<b>North West</b>	Abbey	166	632	3	11	5	(4)	0	(7)
	Beaumont Leys	164	616	7	3	6	65	98	0
	Fosse	124	510	4	6	2	(3)	(85)	(51)
<b>North West Cluster Totals</b>		<b>454</b>	<b>1,758</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>(58)</b>
<b>South</b>	Aylestone	58	348	2	3	2	15	0	(25)
	Eyres Monsell	108	405	4	0	4	20	45	0
	Knighton	34	417	11	3	2	58	149	32
	Saffron	125	334	3	2	3	12	0	(15)
<b>South Cluster Totals</b>		<b>325</b>	<b>1,504</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>(8)</b>
<b>West</b>	Braunstone Park and Rowley Fields	190	745	4	6	5	7	0	(7)
	Westcotes	62	368	10	1	1	111	104	98
	Western	183	778	7	5	5	24	1	(72)
<b>West Cluster Totals</b>		<b>435</b>	<b>1,891</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>City Wide Totals</b>		<b>2,509</b>	<b>10,511</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>875</b>	<b>1,944</b>	<b>256</b>