

What are the benefits of becoming a Community Childcare and Early Learning Hub?

Hubs are a solution to the limited availability of high quality and flexibility of childcare and early education that many parents face.

The Hubs bring together different kinds of childcare for children 0 – 11 in one local area to offer a blended range of options for parents that are flexible, co-ordinated and high quality in a ‘**community childcare and early learning hub**’. They offer a one stop shop of information for parents to find out about and access childcare that meets their requirements.

What are the benefits of a Hub?



Benefits to parents

- Reassures parents about quality of providers
- Provide more flexible and blended childcare to meet needs of parents
- Information available in one place about local childcare available and more accessible
- More quality two year old places available

Benefits to children

- Improved quality of provision leading to improved outcomes
- More effective transition between settings
- Increased amount and quality of 2 year old provision
- Co-ordination between different settings

Benefits to sector

- Inclusive model across whole sector
- Improved training and CPD
- Improved business opportunities – marketing, blended childcare
- Increased awareness in the market of different types of childcare available
- A joint understanding of quality

Benefits to workforce

- Increased pedagogical understanding
- Opportunities to network with different types of providers
- Increased training and CPD opportunities
- Better links with other providers e.g. transition, blended childcare