Worcester City

Children's Centre Buildings Consultation



Bluebell Wood @ Perry Wood Primary School,	Lavender @ Oasis Academy Warndon
St. Alban's Close,	Edgeworth Close,
Worcester,	Worcester,
WR5 1PP	WR4 9PE

Children's Centre information:

Main Site	Situated in a 30% Super Output Area (SOA)	Does the building service a 30% SOA	Childcare onsite	Number of rooms	Notes
Bluebell Wood Yes	No	Yes	No	two large multi-purpose rooms, antenatal room, office kitchen	Main site serving a 30% SOA. Active health provision on site.
Lavender Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Two large multi-purpose rooms, shared ante natal/medical room with school, office. Shared reception office	Main site situated in and serving a 30% SOA. Active health provision on site.

Super Output Area Data (including those Children's Centres outside of the consultation) :

SOA data below shows the % of parents/carers using children's centres who are living in the areas of the county with the highest need (known as 30% SOA's). Please note that Saffron and Sunflower data both relate to the Saffron Children's Centre building.

Report dates: 03/08	8/2015 - 03/0	08/2016							
Children's Centre	Total Carers reached	Carers reached from 30% SOAs	Bromsgrove 30% SOAs	Malvern 30% SOAs	Redditch 30% SOAs	Worcester 30% SOAs	Wychavon 30% SOAs	Wyre Forest 30% SOAs	% seen from 30% SOAs
Bluebell Wood	1314	523	2	0	11	295	1	16	40%
Buttercup	1518	590	4	0	1	580	0	5	39%
Lavendar	992	384	2	0	0	381	0	1	39%
Saffron	1499	516	0	0	6	447	7	2	34%
Sunflower	785	129	1	3	0	122	2	1	17%
Tudor way	1226	331	2	2	3	323	1	0	27%

Proposals:

Centre	Proposed use for building	Services that it is proposed will continue to be delivered	Services and activities that will no longer be delivered at this centre due to changes.	New or additional services and activities that are being planned
Bluebell Wood at Perrywood Primary – Worcester City	Transfer to school for a range of provision including health, nursery and a potential	Existing foundation unit Some family/Adult Learning	Universal Activity Sessions Some family/Adult Learning	Extension of the foundation unit - more two year olds and increased funded hours
	safeguarding team base	Some parenting support	Some parenting support	Family programmes and activities for children during the school holidays.
			Some health services These services may continue to be offered at alternative	Supervised contact for looked after children
Lavender at Oasis	Transfer to school for	Existing childcare provision	locations Universal Activity Sessions	Childcare provision for funded places
Academy – Worcester City	mixed use including 2 year old funded	for NEF and before/after school	Some Family/Adult Learning	and before/after school activities
	provision, before and after school activities and support for parents	Some Family/Adult Learning	Some parenting support	School based parenting Support
		Some parenting support	Health services	
			These services may continue	
			to be offered at alternative	
			locations	

Analysis of change across Worcester City (including those Children's Centres outside of the consultation):

Centre	Parenti groups/ ins	ng /1:1/ drop		ealth 'ision**	C	hildcare	eg sta	rsal sessions ay and play / essy play		e and after ol provision	-	e for multi- sy meetings	Comr	nunity Use		lt / Family earning
	Now	Proposed	Now	Proposed	Now	Proposed	Now	Proposed	Now	Proposed	Now	Proposed	Now	Proposed	Now	Proposed
Bluebell Wood																
Buttercup																
Lavender @																
Oasis																
Saffron																
Tudor Way																

Red	No provision	Amber	Includes parent led / targeted / independent provider led (with possible charge) and/or	Green	Provision can continue
			offsite provision		

** This is an indication only of whether the provision can continue at this site – this cannot be guaranteed as actual delivery is dependent on the service model of health providers

Consultation Responses:-

There were 147 respondents specific to Worcester City District. The table below outlines the type of respondent.

	School Based staff / Governor	Parent / Carer	Health Professional	Other Professional	Current Provider of Early Help service in Worcestershire	Councillor	Community or voluntary sector representative	Other	Total
Bluebell									
Wood	1	49	2	2	4	2		1	61
Lavender	1	67	4	3	5	3		3	86

Centre	Themes of responses received	Comments regarding sufficiency of nursery provision (if applicable)	Response to consultation themes and recommendations
Bluebell Wood @ Perrywood Primary 61 on-line responses 0 other responses	Concerns raised: Overwhelming response in support of the current services delivered at the centre and concern at the potential loss of parenting support, universal sessions and health provision.	There is a 14% deficit of available hours within this ward, which would be decreased by the expansion of the current nursery provision at Perrywood Primary. However, it should be noted that Perrywood Primary are judged by Ofsted as 'Requires Improvement' and they do not therefore meet the national requirements to offer two year old funded provision. It is likely that in the future, their continued presence on the Worcestershire Directory of Funded Providers for two year old funding will be questioned.	A wide range of provision will still be available at this centre under these proposals including health provision and parenting support In response to the large number of responses supporting universal activity sessions in the consultation, a sum of £30k (county-wide) has been identified to support this provision to become self-sustaining In response to the concerns regarding schools running these buildings, a recommendation is being made to initiate a 6-9 month transition period to provide assurance that buildings are being managed appropriately. In addition to this, the lease agreement will also specify the need to participate in an annual review and additional support will be offered to the school in respect of two year funded provision. Universal and targeted support will also continue to be available to families through both the Parenting and Family Support provider and the 0-19 public health nursing service, either in the family home or at other community venues as appropriate. Recommendation: To agree the transfer of the building to the school for a range of provision including health, nursery and a potential safeguarding team base

Centre	Themes of responses received	Comments regarding sufficiency of nursery provision (if applicable)	Response to consultation themes and recommendations
Lavender @ Oasis Academy	Concerns raised:	There is a 22% deficit of available hours within this ward, so an extension to the	A range of provision at this centre has been proposed by the school including developing the centre as a hub for the
···· ,	As with Bluebell Wood,	current provision at Oasis Academy	community. Responses to the consultation will be shared
86 on-line	overwhelming response in	would be beneficial to the area.	with the school to support their planning.
responses	support of the current services		
	delivered at the centre and		In response to the large number of responses supporting
0 other responses	concern at the potential loss of		universal activity sessions in the consultation, a sum of £30k (county-wide) has been identified to support this provision
responses	parenting support, universal		to become self-sustaining
	sessions and health provision		
	including breastfeeding support		In response to the concerns regarding schools running these
			buildings, a recommendation is being made to initiate a 6-9
			month transition period to provide assurance that buildings
			are being managed appropriately. In the case of Lavender this will include support to achieve a smooth transition for
			the changes to health provision at this site. The lease
			agreement will specify the need for the school to participate
			in an annual review of the use of the centre.
			Universal and targeted support will continue to be available
			to families through both the Parenting and Family Support
			provider and the 0-19 public health nursing service, either in
			the family home or at other community venues as
			appropriate.
			Recommendation: To agree the transfer of the building to
			the school for mixed use including 2 year old funded
			provision, before and after school activities and support for
			parents

Centres not part of the formal consultation:

Buttercup at the Fairfield Centre:

This is already a mixed use children's centre on a wider mixed use site. The Parenting and Family Support provider will continue to deliver services at and from this centre alongside health provision and the existing childcare provision.

Saffron (and Sunflower) at Stanley Road Primary School:

The Parenting and Family Support provider will continue to deliver services at and from this centre alongside health provision.

Tudor Way @ Dines Green Primary School:

The Parenting and Family Support provider will continue to deliver services at and from this centre alongside health provision and the existing childcare provision.