

Appendix 3: PHIA Screening Template

Worcestershire Public health Impact Assessment Screening Template

Description and aims of the policy/report:

Optimising the use of the Children's Centre's buildings, ensuring efficient use of resources in delivery of services.

Aspects of the All Age Prevention strategy (which has replaced the Early Help strategy). The Provision of Effective Prevention services for Children and Young people including optimising the use of Children's Centre buildings forms part of the All Age Prevention strategy.

This assessment will evaluate the potential Public Health Impact of proposals in respect of the 18 change of use Children's Centre buildings being consulted upon– see full list below;

- Conkers @ Hagley Primary
- Sunny Fields @ Charford First School
- Tulip Trees @ Catshill First School
- Riverboats @ Upton upon Severn
- Cherry Trees @ Batchley
- Maple Trees @ Ten Acres
- Maple Trees @ Roman Way
- Oak Trees @ Oakhill
- Woodlands @ Woodrow
- Bluebell Wood @ Perrywood
- Lavender @ Oasis Academy
- Applevale @ Broadway
- Chestnut @ Franche
- Treetops @ Birchen Coppice
- Half Crown Wood @ Stourport
- Riverside @ Bewdley
- Brookside @ Comberton Primary
- Rainbow @ St Marys

A clear and consistent evidence based approach to prevention ensuring those in greatest need will receive targeted support required. Other community assets can be utilised and much of the service does not rely on buildings as all (Intensive home visiting or digital advice and information)

Children's centres play a key role as one of a number of prevention and support gateways and proposed uses would result in increased childcare provision in at least 11 buildings and would lead to increased use of the buildings (longer hours and/or wider range of providers) for early childhood services in the majority of buildings.

The remaining centres contribute to the delivery of the strategy as a whole and will provide increased flexibility in the way centres are used to support delivery of services for those ages 0-19 meaning families with children aged 0-19 will be supported more effectively.

Children's centre buildings are one of many community assets and every effort should be made to ensure they are used to their full potential by the communities they are located in.

All of the proposals continue to meet the statutory definition of Sure Start children's centre as "a place or group of places managed by or on behalf of the local authority with a view to ensuring that early childhood services are made available in an integrated way.

Early childhood services are defined as:

- Early years provision (early education and childcare);
- Social services functions of the local authority relating to young children, parents and prospective parents;
- Health services relating to young children, parents and prospective parents; and
- Information and advice services for parents and prospective parents

Services can be provided either at a centre, as a virtual service via the internet for example, or by providing advice and assistance to parents in accessing services elsewhere, ensuring Those who are most in need will receive targeted support.

Relevant local and national policies:

- The All Age Prevention strategy (which has replaced the Early Help strategy).
- The Provision of Effective Prevention services for Children and Young people including optimising the use of Children's Centre buildings.

County or district policy:

Worcestershire County wide policy, affecting the following districts;

- Bromsgrove
- Malvern Hills
- Redditch
- Worcester City
- Wychavon
- Wyre Forest

Population affected:

Total population figures for reach areas of affected center's from ONS population estimates, mid-2014 by district;

- Bromsgrove: 51,655
- Malvern Hills : 15,703
- Redditch: 59,922
- Worcester City: 29,901
- Wychavon: 19,524
- Wyre Forest: 84,991

Who are the main stakeholders and how will they be involved?

- Primary and First Schools within the affected Districts
- County, District, Town and Parish Councilors
- Children, Parents and Carer's (Service Users)
- 0-19 public health services
- Action for Children
- Redditch and Bromsgrove Councils

- 10:32 (Barnardos, ContinU Trust, Vestia Community Housing)

Policy Impact Summary

Impact Category	Positive	Negative	Neutral	Unknown	Recommendation	
					HIA required?	
					Yes	No
Social & economic factors			X		Yes	No
Physical Health			X		Yes	No
Mental health and wellbeing			X		Yes	No
Access to services		X			Yes	No
The impact will vary for each Centre as some services are either reduced or enhanced depending on the plans of the schools and whether services will continue to be delivered by 3 rd parties elsewhere.						
Inequalities				X	Yes	No
<p>The primary goal of the 0-19 prevention services commissioned by the local authority is to reduce inequalities between families in greatest need and their peers in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child development and school readiness; • Parenting aspiration and parenting skills; and • Child and family health and life chances. <p>The proposed changes will not impact on this as the focus remains on providing services to those families that need them most. The development, integration and impact of the 0-19 services will be overseen by the Starting Well Transformation Board and the proposed new leaseholder (schools) are expected to contribute towards a Worcestershire wide self-assessment on Worcestershire's performance in meeting this challenge.</p>						
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