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**Wraparound childcare grant funding – Expression of Interest 2024**

The national wraparound childcare programme is part of the childcare reforms announced at the 2023 Spring Budget. The government’s ambition is that by 2026, all parents and carers of primary school-aged children who need it will be able to access term time childcare in their local area from 8am-6pm, so that parents can access employment and improve labour market participation.

This Expression of Interest (EOI) has been developed by Redcar and Cleveland Borough Council (RCBC) to inform our wraparound childcare delivery plan and ensure that we are able to best utilise grant funding to deliver an increase in places where they are most needed, whilst delivering value for money.

This EOI will be reviewed against supply and demand data gathered by RCBC to identify viable projects for which a formal application will then be requested. Any information supplied as part of this EOI will be taken forward as part of the formal application, however further detail will be requested.

This grant is available to all schools, trusts and childcare providers offering wraparound childcare for primary school aged children within the local authority area. Childcare providers, including childminders, should only submit an expression of interest if this is endorsed the school(s) that the provision intends to serve.

Please note for the purposes of this expression of interest, all of the following criteria must be met for a proposal to be viewed as viable:

* Provision is available Monday – Friday during term-time.
* Before school care will start no later than 8am and after school care will finish no earlier than 6pm (unless there is express evidence to suggest that finishing before 6pm is meeting the needs of families).
* Providers should be Ofsted registered or registered with Ofsted registered childminder agency (or intend to register and acknowledge that no funds will be released until evidence of successful registration is supplied).
* Providers should be registered to accept payments through Tax-Free Childcare (or intend to do so and will provide evidence when registered).
* Parents are not required to collect children and drop them off at another location to access the wraparound provision.
* The application should not cause market disruption i.e. putting a provision in direct competition with another where there is no evidence that current supply is not meeting demand or seeking to replace an existing wraparound offer where the current provision is meeting demand and the needs of children and families.

There are two types of funding available, revenue and capital funds. Providers can complete the EOI for one or both types of grant funding.

Any questions about this process should be directed to [wraparound@redcar-cleveland.gov.uk](mailto:wraparound@redcar-cleveland.gov.uk)

Those submitting an EOI for a revenue grant are encouraged to read the [Wraparound children guidance for schools and trusts in England](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/65d735262197b201e57fa72a/Wraparound_childcare_guidance_for_schools_and_trusts_in_England.pdf).

Those submitting an EOI for a capital grant are encouraged to read the [childcare expansion capital grant allocations guidance.](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/66165d051a70cf4b9209316c/Childcare_Expansion_Capital_Guidance_For_LAs_Nov2023.pdf)

**The deadline for EOI submission is 12pm (noon), Wednesday 5th June 2024. Late submissions will not be considered.**

***Please note, there is no guarantee that the costs outlined in this EOI will be fully covered by the funding available, the purpose of this EOI is to help RCBC decide how best to distribute the funds to the sector.***

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| **Name of Setting:**  **Setting Address:**  **Post code:**  **Type of setting:**  **Ofsted URN:** | **Name of contact:** **Job title:**  **Contact number & email address:**  **Current Ofsted rating and date of inspection:**  **Previous Ofsted rating and date of inspection:** |

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| **SCHOOLS ONLY**  **Do you have approval from the governing body to proceed?**  Yes  No  **If you intend to use an independent childcare provider, has this provider been chosen?**  Yes  No  **Will the provision be run:**  By the school/governing body  By a Private/ Voluntary/ Independent (PVI) provider on the school site  By a PVI provider not on the school site  By a network of local childminders  Other (please specify) | **CHILDCARE PROVIDERS ONLY** **Do you have the endorsement of the school(s) that you intend to serve the submit this expression of interest?**  Yes  No  **Which school(s) do you intend for this provision to serve?**  Click or tap here to enter text.  **Will the provision be run:**  On a school site  Not on a school site  Where the provision will not be delivered on a school site, please provide the address:  Click or tap here to enter text. |

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| **The Wraparound Childcare programme delivery grant is intended to provide a contribution towards revenue costs to increase the availability of wraparound childcare for primary school aged children in Redcar and Cleveland. This might include a contribution towards:**   * **Running costs whilst building demand** * **Staffing, including recruitment costs** * **Staff training, including specialist training for staff to ensure they feel equipped to support children with additional needs** * **Essential resources to expand or create new places**   **Applications must fall into at least one of the categories below, and will be scored against a number of criteria, please check ‘guidance notes’ for further explanation.**  **Please tick which is applicable to your application.**     1. **To support the creation of new wraparound childcare places** 2. **To support the expansion of childcare places as part of a provision that already exists** 3. **To extend the current childcare offer, if this does not offer provision from 8am until 6pm** |
| **Please complete the tables below with your current offer, number of places, and planned expansion.**   |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | |  | **✓** | **Current capacity** | **Planned capacity** | | Before school |  |  |  | | After school |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  | **Current opening hours** | **Planned opening hours** | | Before school |  |  | | After school |  |  |   **Please explain how you have determined that there is demand for creating a new provision, increasing the number of places in an existing provision or an extension to the hours of operation of an existing provision:**  *E.g. market research, consultation, waiting lists*   |  | | --- | |  |   **Have you completed any financial forecasting for your plans?  Yes  No**  **After initial grant funding support, do you feel that this provision could be self-sustaining through parent fees?  Yes  No** |

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| **Project costs**  **Revenue costs**  *Please provide us with some detail as to your estimated costs to deliver an increase in places or extend operational hours for the first year of operation. This should be your delivery costs and should not include any capital expenditure (please note financial forecasting will be requested as part of a formal application).*   |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Delivery requirements** | **Estimated cost for 24/25 academic year (£)** | | Staffing | £ | | Premises rental (if applicable) | £ | | General running costs, such as utilities & consumable items | £ | | Equipment and resources | £ | | Staff training and development | £ | | Transport costs | £ | | Other (please specify) | £ | | Total | £ |   **Capital costs**  There are limited funds available to support with capital expenditure related to increasing the availability of wraparound provision across Redcar and Cleveland. Examples of appropriate work may include:   * Works to improve security and access * Works to improve facilities for children with disabilities * Provision of storage * Providing additional or reconfiguring existing toilets * Providing or upgrading a kitchen/food prep and storage area * Outdoor shelters or storage * Purchase of a transport solution for rural areas or clusters * The purchase of assets, individual or combined, over the value of £500 that will depreciate over time and have a shelf-life of over 1 year.   Due to the limited capital money available, large-scale projects will not be possible to fund using this grant. However, RCBC will review each project on a case-by-case basis. Providers may choose to request a contribution towards a larger scale project if they have the funds to deliver the outstanding balance.  Please provide details of any proposed capital works. Please note that at the formal application stage, requests of quotes will be requested, for any work exceeding £3000, a total of three quotes will be required, alongside details of a financial forecasts.  **Is your expansion project dependent on accessing capital grant funding?  Yes  No**   |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Proposed capital works** (building modifications, internal/external works, physical assets) - *Add more rows if needed* | **Estimated costs (£)** | |  |  | |  |  | |  |  | |

**Declaration:** (To be considered please sign the EOI)

* I am over 18 years old.
* I confirm that the proposals meet the outlined criteria.
* I confirm the information in the EOI is true and accurate at the time of completion.
* I understand that this is an EOI to identify viable projects and that if my project is identified as viable, I will be required to submit further detail as part of a formal application, including details of financial forecasts exceeding the period that grant funding is available i.e. 3 years.
* I understand that the submission of this EOI is to inform RCBC decisions about how best to distribute funds to the sector and it is not a guarantee that the full costs outlined will be covered by the funding should I be invited to submit a formal application.
* I understand that any funding agreed is only available for the period from September 2024 to March 2026, after which point it will cease. As a result, before being awarded any grant funds I will need to provide evidence as to how the provision will become self-sustaining after this time period through financial forecasts.

**Signed: Date:**

**Print name: Position:**

Return completed form to: [wraparound@redcar-cleveland.gov.uk](mailto:wraparound@redcar-cleveland.gov.uk)

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