

Early Years & Childcare Business Newsletter

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Welcome to the 1st edition of the Early Years & Childcare Business Newsletter.

Thank you for taking the time to read our latest Business Newsletter, we hope you find it useful to support you with the ongoing sustainability of your business. If you have anything that you would like to see included in future editions do let us know and please contact us for any further support or advice
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COVID-19 Recovery Tool

To support providers to plan for recovery we have issued a COVID-19 Recovery Tool along with this email. We hope the tool supports you to identify any areas for immediate development and prioritise tasks in order of importance. There are separate tools for Sole Traders/Day Nurseries, Charity run provision and Childminders.

We hope you find this tool useful. Warwickshire County Council will be requesting a completed copy if further support or advice is required.

Early Years & Childcare COVID-19 Business Health Check

COVID-19 has had many impacts already on the sector and as we now enter a second lockdown with unknown but potentially differing impacts Warwickshire would like to establish how the recent months have impacted upon business and sustainability in the sector.

In order to capture your comments we have developed a Microsoft online form for providers to complete. **All** providers must complete this to enable us to monitor the early years and childcare position in Warwickshire.—<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=BqqwiCdZu0uok4nMJxOsgH7Gyvlm1I9FiToNDRTPHOZUMFZKMTBXWUyTTk1NFQ1WTRBREo4QzdTTC4u>

Deadline date for completion—Friday 27th November 2020

Warwickshire County Council—Coronavirus—support for businesses webpage

Warwickshire County Council has a useful webpage for support for businesses and suppliers in Warwickshire. Information includes Government guidance, business support, FAQs, economic recovery programmes and much more! <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/homepage/227/coronavirus---support-for-businesses-and-suppliers>

COVID-19 Government Business Support Updates

The Government has a webpage specifically for Business Support during COVID-19— <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus/business-support> where you can find all of the latest information and guidance to support your business. Also available is the coronavirus support finder — <https://www.gov.uk/business-coronavirus-support-finder>

Latest Updates

Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme— The government is extending the CJRS to support individuals and businesses who are impacted by disruption caused by coronavirus this winter. The CJRS will remain open until 31 March 2021. For claim periods running to January 2021, employees will receive 80% of their usual salary for hours not worked. For more information please follow the link: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/claim-for-wages-through-the-coronavirus-job-retention-scheme>

Self-Employment Income Support Scheme grant extension — The Self-Employment Income Support Scheme Grant Extension provides critical support to the self-employed in the form of two grants and will last for six months, from November 2020 to April 2021. Further information will be provided soon. <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/self-employment-income-support-scheme-grant-extension/self-employment-income-support-scheme-grant-extension>

Financial Support for voluntary, community and social enterprise (VCSE) organisations to respond to coronavirus (COVID-19) - This web page outlines government funding available to VCSE's further information on fundraising and funding can be found here— <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/financial-support-for-voluntary-community-and-social-enterprise-vcse-organisations-to-respond-to-coronavirus-covid-19>

Coronavirus Bounce Back Loan—The scheme helps small and medium-sized business to borrow between £2,000 and up to 25% of their turnover. The maximum loan available is £50,000. The government guarantees 100% of the loan and there won't be any fees or interest to pay for the first 12 months. The scheme has been extended and is open to applications until 31 January 2021. <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/apply-for-a-coronavirus-bounce-back-loan>

Coronavirus Large Business Interruption Loan Scheme—The scheme helps medium and large sized businesses to access loans and other kinds of finance up to £200 million. The government guarantees 80% of the finance to the lender. The scheme has been extended and is open to applications until 31 January 2021. <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/apply-for-the-coronavirus-large-business-interruption-loan-scheme>

Coronavirus Business Interruption Loan Scheme—The scheme helps small and medium-sized businesses to access loans and other kinds of finance up to £5 million. The government guarantees 80% of the finance to the lender. The scheme has been extended and is open to applications until 31 January 2021. <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/apply-for-the-coronavirus-business-interruption-loan-scheme>

Useful Business Support Websites & Contacts

Starting up a childcare business

Information and tips on setting up and running your own business

<https://www.gov.uk/browse/business>

Charity Commission

Useful information on setting up and running a charity

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/charity-commission>

Companies House

Information on starting up and running a company

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/companies-house>

Staff Employment – ACAS

Advice and information on staff employment matters

<https://www.acas.org.uk/>

PACEY - Business Smart

<https://www.pacey.org.uk/working-in-childcare/business-smart/about-business-smart/>

Find useful briefings, DfE guidance and slides from events and training

<https://app-t1pr-seycp.azurewebsites.net/resources.htm>

Government help with childcare costs for parents

<https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/>

Group setting cost calculator co-produced with Merton and PACEY through DSF funding

<https://www.pacey.org.uk/working-in-childcare/nurseries/group-setting-cost-calculator/>

<https://www.pacey.org.uk/working-in-childcare/nurseries/group-setting-occupancy-tool/>

Warwickshire County Council Warwickshire Insights

Warwickshire Insights provides statistical information about local areas in Warwickshire

<https://data.warwickshire.gov.uk/>

Out of School Alliance

Information and support to individuals and organisations setting up and running out of school clubs, holiday clubs and playschemes.

<https://www.outofschoolalliance.co.uk/>

The Pensions Regulator

Information and guidance on staff pensions and the responsibility of the employer

<https://www.thepensionsregulator.gov.uk/>

Coram Family and Childcare's resources are designed to help professionals working in childcare and early years

<https://www.familyandchildcaretrust.org/resources-professionals>

NDNA – Business Zone NDNA Business Zone

http://www.ndna.org.uk/NDNA/News/Early_Years_Business_Zone.aspx

Early Years Alliance – Business and Management

<https://www.eyalliance.org.uk/business-and-management>

<https://www.eyalliance.org.uk/cost-delivery-calculator>

Foundation Years – Business Planning

<https://foundationyears.org.uk/2019/08/business-planning/>

Warwickshire County Council Family Information Service

Free advertising for your childcare business on the childcare directory.

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/fis>

Support and advice for your early years business

<https://www.earlyyearsbusinesszone.org.uk/>

Early years business sustainability

Advice, examples and resources to help early years providers run a sustainable business

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/early-years-business-sustainability>

Warwickshire County Council Childcare Sufficiency Assessment

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/childcaretypes>

Warwickshire County Council Support for businesses & suppliers

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/coronavirusbusinesssupport>