

# Croydon Children's Centre Consultation

May-June 2021

# Children's Centre Core Purpose

The core purpose focuses on three areas of support:

- Parenting skills and aspirations
- Child development and school readiness
- Child and family health and life chances



# What can children centres offer families?



### **Employability Training**

My OutSpace deliver employability training, budgeting skills, CV workshops and digital skills training.

### **Community Builders**

Supporting and nurturing the interests of local parents, helping them set up small projects.

### **Health Visiting and Breastfeeding Support**

Specialist community public health nurses whom provide expert advice and support to families with children from the antenatal period to five years old.

### **Midwifery**

Antenatal care and postnatal care for up to 14 days for low risk families and up to 28 days for those requiring enhanced care.

### **Speech and Language Therapy**

Provides targeted support in relation to communication development for local families.

### **Early Help and Children's Social Care**

Working in partnership with all relevant agencies so that families are assisted to help themselves and are supported as soon as a need arises.

### **Parent Infant Partnership**

Working with parents-to-be and parents of babies up to 24 months to build stronger bonds and positive relationships with their babies.

# **Working in Partnership**

### **Home Visiting Service and Parent's Champion Programme**

Homestart provide a 1:1 home visiting service and a parent's champion programme. This provides advice and guidance to community groups

### **Family Nurse Partnership**

For those aged 19 years or under and going through their first pregnancy. Provides dedicated support to parents to ensure that new families get the best start.

### **Childcare Sufficiency Team**

Responsible for updating childcare information and promoting and administering early years funding for 2, 3 and 4 year old children.

### **Social Communication Delay Support Groups**

The Prism consortium deliver these groups which includes the National Autistic Society, and Jubilee Parenting

### **Parenting Peer Led Support Groups**

South London & Maudsley NHS Trust deliver 'Empowering Parents, Empowering Communities' peer led support groups which aim to share tips on managing children's behaviour and how to communicate positively.

### **Nursery, Pre-School & Childminder Support**

The Early Learning Collaboration Professional provides development opportunities for early years practitioners

### **Parenting Courses**

Programmes are offered by commissioned Best Start partners for example 'Being a Parent' as well as the Supports and Intervention Team who deliver 'Triple P', 'Teen Triple P', 'Mellow Parents' and 'Mellow Bumps'.

# **Best Start Children's Centres - Current delivery model**

- There are Currently 9 designated children's centres in Croydon.
- 2 centres are managed by a federated maintained nursery school, 5 by primary academies, 1 by a maintained primary school and 1 by the local authority
- Children's centres run services on site, from service access points, and from community outreach venues.

# Best Start Children's Centres and map

<b>Current Model</b> <b>9 Designated Centres</b>
<b>North East &amp; North West</b> Kensington Avenue
<b>Central East</b> Crosfield Shirley
<b>Central West</b> Selhurst Aerodrome Purley Oaks
<b>South East</b> Woodlands New Addington
<b>South West</b> Byron

## Best Start Children's Centres in Croydon April 2020

Children's Centre reach areas do not align directly with the Early Help localities.



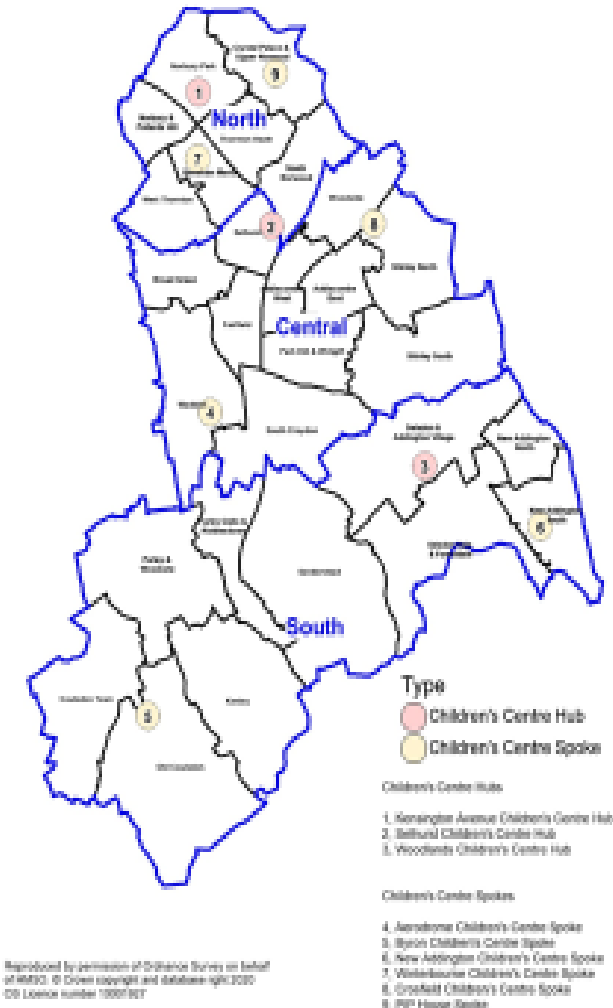
## **Best Start Children's Centres - proposed new delivery model**

- A three hub and six spoke is our preferred model for children's centre provision.
- It provides a dedicated hub in the north, central and south of the borough
- services will also be available from six spokes, ensuring access to services across the borough.
- Services will be informed by the consultation findings and will vary so they meet the needs of local families

# Proposed Children's Centre Hubs and Spokes Map

Proposed Model 3 Children's Centre Hubs and 6 Spokes	Locality	Locality
Kensington Avenue Winterbourne PiP House	North East North West North East	Provider 1
Selhurst Malling Close Aerodrome	Central West Central East Central West	Provider 2
Woodlands New Addington Byron	South East South East South West	Provider 3

Children's Centre Hubs and Spokes





# Best Start Children's Centres - proposed new delivery model

Area	Children's centre hub	Children's centre spoke	Area covered
North	Kensington Avenue	Winterbourne	North West
		PIP House	North East
Central	Selhurst	Malling Close	Central East
		Aerodrome	Central West
South	Woodlands	New Addington	South East
		Byron	South West

# Best Start Children's Centres - proposed new delivery model

The hub and spoke model would mean:

- Having three children's centre 'hubs', one in each locality, north, central and south, each delivering a full programme of services
- The hubs will also will coordinate a reduced programme of activities from two other children's centre buildings (spokes)
- One management team for each locality overseeing the service and employing the children's centre staff
- Closing Shirley Children's Centre (Central East) and stopping services from Purley Oaks Children's Centre (Central West), but providing outreach services in these areas
- Stopping delivering services from Ecclesbourne and Woodside Service Access Points (these are venues that have provided provide children's centre services on a part-time basis)

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## How we designed the hub and spoke model

The new proposed model has been designed using the following data:

- Borough profile - where do children 0-5 and families that would benefit the most live
- Geographical location
- Ease of access for local families
- Transport links
- Facilities and accessibility within the children's centre buildings to enable continued working in partnership with health colleagues to deliver the Healthy Child Programme

# Best Start Children's Centres - proposed new delivery model

## Tell us what you think

- We want to hear your views on our proposal for children's centres.
- We're keen to understand whether the proposed spoke sites are the right locations,
- ideas you may have for how we can provide services locally.
- Final proposals will inform the council cabinet decision in the summer 2021 prior to tendering for new contracts,
- The consultation report will inform service development and delivery

# Best Start Children's Centres - proposed new delivery model

## How to have your say

- Feed back from tonight's event
- Complete the online survey before midnight, 13 June 2021
- Request a paper copy of the survey be sent to you by calling 020 8760 5453, and return it by 13 June 2021
- Request the survey and consultation information in a different format or language by calling 020 8760 5453
- Speak to staff at your local children's centre