This information sheet is intended to provide you with background information about the proposed option for the children centre in this area.

About the review

Brief outline

The Children Centre and Local Authority Nurseries review is about redesigning the children’s centre and nurseries services. The review includes reducing the number of children’s centre bases with dedicated children’s centre staff, whilst maintaining a network of services for children and families that are fit for current and future use and appropriate for each community. Services for children and families with under 5 year olds will be retained in areas of most need. In total, a saving of £377,000 is required over the next 2 years from children centres and nurseries budgets.

The proposal

The proposal at present is to remodel Long Ashton Children Centre, continue to deliver the baby clinic at the nursery and seek alternative venues in the community to provide a limited offer to children and their families under the age of 5. Family Support for some parents will continue. The children centre building would be used to extend Early Birds Nursery to accommodate an additional 12 places for under 2 years old and provide 8am - 6pm childcare provision all year round. The extension will also enable an increase in the number of 2-4 year old places. The nursery has consistently had a waiting list for babies since it opened. The extension will help meet local demand for quality childcare places.

The services in your area

Details of services

Long Ashton Children’s Centre, Birdwell Primary School, Hollis Close, Long Ashton, BS41 9AZ

**Long Ashton Children’s Centre** is located within the Birdwell Primary School Campus in a standalone building owned by North Somerset. This was funded originally by a Neighbourhood Nursery capital grant in 2014 and later the building was extended to create the Children’s Centre in 2010.
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Long Ashton Children Centre’s current opening hours

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Activities offered

Long Ashton Children's Centre aims to be a welcoming place for families with young children, where families are supported and children encouraged to reach their full potential. The centre regularly produces a What's On leaflet which is widely available including via the recently updated Family Information Service web site.

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Usage figures

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<th>Children’s Centre Based on January – December 2017 figures</th>
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<td>Carers seen by volume: 1499 - Number of visits by carers (may include more than one visit by carer)</td>
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<td>Individual carers by volume: 284 - Number of unique visitors who are carers</td>
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Public transport nearby

Long Ashton is served by bus route numbers W1 and X9.

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What do you think about the Children Centre and Nurseries review proposal for Long Ashton?

This questionnaire is available online on the North Somerset council web site:
www.n-somerset.gov.uk/laconsult

Q1.
Are you ....?

Giving the official response of an organisation? Tick here

Or

Responding as an individual? Tick here

Q2.
What is your home postcode?

(This is the only thing we ask about you. It so we can see where people taking part in this consultation come from)

Q3.
Do you think the proposal for Long Ashton Children Centre and Early Birds Nursery would impact on you or your family? If so, how?

Q4.
We want to make sure that you are not disadvantaged by the proposals because of your age, gender, disability ethnicity, or other 'protected characteristic' (as defined the Equality Act 2010). Please let us know if there is anything you think we should include in the proposals to ensure that you are not disadvantaged because of any 'protected characteristic'. Also consider any aspect of your identity that is relevant, for instance being a carer.
Do you have any other comments or suggestions about our proposals?

Thank you for taking part in this consultation, please return it to your nearest children centre before 23rd April – many thanks

Banwell, Winscombe and Sandford Children Centre, West Street, Banwell, BS29 6DB
Locking Castle and Locking Children Centre, The Campus, Highlands Lane, Worle, Weston-super-Mare, BS247DX
Worle Library and Children Centre, Mendip Avenue, Weston-super-Mare, BS22 6HN
Castle Batch Children Centre, Bishop Avenue, Worle, Weston-super-Mare, BS22 7PQ
Ashcombe Children Centre, Stepping Stone Walk, Weston-super-Mare, BS23 3NA
Oldmixon Family Centre, Monkton Avenue, Weston-super-Mare, BS24 9DA
The For All Healthy Living Centre, Lonsdale Avenue, Weston-super-Mare, BS23 3SJ
Weston Central Children Centre, 81-83 Meadow Street, Weston-super-Mare, BS23 1QL
Yeo Valley and Rural Outreach Children Centre, C/O St Andrew’s Primary School, Station Road, Congresbury, Bristol, BS49 5DX
Yatton Library and Children Centre, High Street, Yatton, Bristol, BS49 4HJ
Clevedon Children Centre, The Barn, Great Weston Road, Clevedon, BS21 6HB
Portishead Children Centre, St Barnabas Centre, West Hill, Portishead, Bristol, BS20 6LN
Pill Library and Children Centre, Crockerne House, Underbanks, Pill, Bristol, BS20 0AT
Long Ashton Children Centre, Hollis Close, Long Ashton, Bristol, BS41 9AZ

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