

## **Childcare Sufficiency Assessment Summary report for Children's Centre Area: Camberley South (74)**

In response to the statutory duty set out in the Childcare Act 2006, Surrey County Council's Early Years and Childcare Service (EYCS) has carried out a Childcare Sufficiency Assessment. The project aim is to identify specific gaps in childcare provision at children's centre area level (Please see the countywide report for a definition of children's centre area). The results will be used to describe the childcare market and allow the EYCS to ensure that sufficient childcare provision that is sustainable and of good quality is available for parents and carers to enable them to train or work.

The assessment examines parents' and carers' demand for childcare places against the supply of childcare services. Occupancy rates, vacancy rates, childcare costs, demographic information, proposed housing and service development also add value to the assessment.

This report summarises findings for the Camberley South children's centre area. A summary report for each children's centre area is available and all of these will act as working documents to enable the EYCS to monitor changes within each area on a 6 monthly basis.

The report provides a summary of the following:

1. Demographic information
2. Children's Centre development
3. Schools and childcare provision
4. Parents' and carers' use of and needs for childcare services
5. Identified gaps in childcare provision
6. Additional research needed to further understand the gaps in provision
7. Maps and charts

## 1. DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE OF AREA

Area 74, Camberley South is urban and affluent. Only a very small percentage of the population is non-white and the percentage of lone parents and the percentage of children dependent on workless benefit is below the Surrey average.

### Child population

Aged under 2 years	Aged 2 – 4 years (inclusive)	Aged 5 – 7 years	Aged 8 to 11 years	Aged 5 to 14 years	Total: Aged 0 to 14 years	Disabled children aged 14 to 18 years
300	418	604	875	1908	2626	10

Rural Urban classification	% Population non-white	% Lone Parent	% Children dependent on workless benefit
Urban	4.7%	3.2%	6.51%

### Planned housing development

Land at Ridgewood Centre, Old Bisley Road, Frimley – 80 units, 20 affordable units.

## 2. CHILDREN'S CENTRE DEVELOPMENT

### Children's Centre development

Bristow Infant & Nursery School & Sure Start Children's Centre. Estimated designation date is March 2008. There is a maintained nursery on site.

### 3. SCHOOLS AND CHILDCARE PROVISION

#### Schools

Dfes number	School name	Childcare on site
2329	Heather Ridge Infant School	None
2359	Prior Heath Infant School	Extended day playgroup, before and after school club, holiday club
2436	Ravenscote Community Junior School	None
2955	The Grove Primary School	Pre-school playgroup
2956	Lakeside School	Before school club, holiday club, after school club
3933	St Augustine's Catholic Primary School	Holiday club, after school club
7034	Carwarden House Community School	None

#### Childcare supply

Pre-school childcare penetration rates are below the county average. There is one day nursery and 4 pre-school playgroups in the area. Occupancy rates for the sessional settings are high.

Out of school childcare penetration rates are in line with the Surrey average and there is a mix of before and after school care and holiday provision. These also enjoy high occupancy rates. Please see the following tables for childcare setting and places information.

#### Pre-school childcare

Day Nursery settings/ places	Average DN occupancy rate	Sessional settings/ places	Average Sessional occupancy rate	CMs/ CM places	PS density rate (under 2 years)	PS density rate - all
1/44	Not available	4/108	82.8%	27/66	22%	30%

#### Out of school childcare (OOS)

Before and after school settings/ places	Average before & after school occupancy rate	CMs/ CM places	HS settings/ places	Average HS Occupancy Rate	BS & AS Density Rate	CM Density Rate	HS Density Rate	Overall OOS Density rate
4/102	65.5%	26/61	3/90	72%	5%	3%	5%	13%

## Quality and sustainability of existing childcare

In this area most settings are OfSTED rated 'satisfactory' or 'good'. Two out of school settings were rated 'satisfactory'. 'Good' settings include two sessional daycare settings, one multiple daycare setting, one full daycare setting and one out of school setting. One sessional daycare setting is rated 'satisfactory' for care outcome and 'inadequate' for education outcome. One out of school setting is rated 'inadequate'.

Between 25/09/2003 and 13/12/2007, 74% of childminders were rated 'good', 13% were rated 'satisfactory' and 13% were rated 'inadequate'.

## Services opening and closing in the last year

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## 4. PARENTS' AND CARERS' USE OF AND NEED FOR CHILDCARE SERVICES

Family and friends are the most commonly used form of childcare across Surrey. This area has a significantly lower usage of family and friends as childcare (60%). This area also has a significantly lower usage of after school clubs, breakfast clubs and day nurseries (11%, 3% and 11% respectively). Parents in this area have a higher use of childminders and crèches (19% and 8% respectively).

34% of parents in this area state that they are not using enough childcare. 44% of these parents would use holiday scheme provision if it were more affordable and after school care if it were available at their child's school. Parents specify that they would use after school care if it were available at Ravenscote Community Junior School.

## 5. IDENTIFIED GAPS IN CHILDCARE AND ISSUES RELATING TO CHILDCARE

Although pre-school childcare penetration rates for the area are lower than the county average, there is no significant demand for additional pre-school childcare services.

Parents would use holiday play schemes more if they were more affordable and they would use after school clubs if they were available at Ravenscote Community Junior School.

## Current and proposed developments

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**How these developments will affect the identified gaps**

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**6. ADDITIONAL RESEARCH REQUIRED TO FURTHER UNDERSTAND ANY GAPS AND ISSUES**

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**7. MAPS AND CHARTS (Please see attached)**