

APPENDIX A

PROFILE OF CHILDCARE PROVIDERS IN ISLINGTON

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A.1. Categories of childcare referred to in Chapter Four on Supply

These were in line with how they were defined on the CIS database in summer 2007. For the under fives, some of the settings described in a particular category such as 'local authority nursery school' are in fact children's centres. Since carrying out the sufficiency assessment, these categories have been clarified on the CIS database to reflect the fact that there are 16 children's centres in the borough.

A.1.1. Nurseries: 116 settings offering about 4,600 places

(full-time equivalent – note many more children than this access places as many are split to be used on a part-time basis). This does **not include reception class places for four year olds.**

A.1.1.a. 'Maintained': 53 settings – about 2,180 places.

Children's centre	- eight settings (including one nursery school) - open 8am to 6pm, 48 weeks a year
Extended day	- two primary schools with extended day places for children under five open 8am to 6pm and 48 weeks a year

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Local authority nursery school	- two settings (the other nursery school is included in the six maintained children's centres above) - core day or extended day, term-time (39 weeks) or 48 weeks
School with nursery	- 37 primary schools with nursery classes core day and term-time only - for children aged three and four. About 1,020 full-time (term-time) and 460 part-time (term-time) places
Early years centre	- two settings run by the local authority offering term-time and all year round places, 9.5 hours a day
Special needs provision	- two special needs schools offering seven specialist nursery places

Note: Islington council's policy is to offer all four-year-olds and some three-year-olds a free core day place, 9.30am to 3.30pm, term-time in primary schools with nursery classes. See below re free early years education places in reception classes.

A.1.1.b. Voluntary providers: 31 settings – about 860 places

Voluntary children's centre	- one setting (10 hours a day, 48 weeks).
Community nurseries	- 22 settings (various opening hours and weeks)
Sessional playgroups	- eight settings (usually term-time only, and offering under four hours morning and/or afternoon).

A.1.1.c. Private providers: 32 settings – about 1,560 places

Private nurseries	- 19 settings (various opening hours and weeks)
Private school with nursery	- seven settings (ditto)
Workplace and college nursery	- six settings (ditto)

A.1.1.d. Early years education (EYE) entitlement and reception classes

The CFI report does not include detailed analysis of reception class provision. However, the CIS estimated that in spring 2008, there were about 3,467 full- and part-time places at under fives settings for three and four year olds, plus 2,140 places for four year olds (rising fives) in reception classes. So there was a total of about 5,607 EYE places for a population of 4,860 children (GLA mid-year population projections for 2008).

20 of the 37 Islington primary schools with nursery classes offered full time places only to three and four year olds alike. 16 offered part-time and full-time places and one offered part-time places only. Nine schools offered reception places in September only.

The figure of 2,140 reception class places came from the Primary School Brochure, 2007/08.

The estimate of 3,467 places broke down as follows:

- 1,456 full and part-time places in primary school nurseries
- 345 full-time places in children's centres
- 666 places x 2.5 hour places in other nurseries (note many of these places also had wrap-around and holiday care attached to them - in addition to the EYE entitlement)

A.1.2. Childminders: 228 with 826 places (about 520 for under fives).

It is difficult to be clear how places divided across different age bands, including under and over fives, due to the way registration of childminders works. Local information indicated that most places are filled by children aged just under one year up to three years when they become eligible for free early years education provision that in Islington is currently only available in nursery settings. Also, childminders in Islington only wanted to fill between 80 to 87% of their places, so the supply is likely to be lower than the numbers stated above, particularly for over fives.

A.1.3. Extended day or Out of school – about 5,100 places

On the whole, these services are for children aged five and over, but on occasion they do include provision for under fives (which are specified as such where possible).

A.1.3.a. Breakfast clubs

- 40 clubs, with about 1,100 places, mostly in primary schools, open term-time for 45-60 minutes before the school day. One club is in a secondary special school.

Places across ages divide approximately as follows:
26 places for under fives
396 places for 5-7s
682 places for eights and over (so unregistered)

A.1.3.b. After school clubs

- 47 providers overall, including 12 adventure playgrounds (see below), with about 1,965 places. Usually open term-time only, 3.30-6.00pm. Some providers also offer childcare/play during school holidays - they are also listed within holiday provision information. Various schools/providers walk children to other schools/providers.

Places across ages divide approximately as follows:
32 places for under fives
1,222 places for 5-7s
711 places for eights and over (so unregistered)

A.1.3.c. Holiday provision

- (including adventure playgrounds)
34 settings with about 2,050 places.
Places across ages divide approximately as follows:
50 places for under fives
840 places for 5-7s
1,160 places for eights and over (so unregistered)

Adventure playgrounds are important contributors to after school and holiday care (as well as schools and the voluntary sector as a whole). There are 12 playgrounds in total, with maximum numbers of 1,081 places (included in figures above). However, up to about 670 of these are 'open-access' for children aged eight and above - free and the children and young people come and go as they please - rather than 'supervised' childcare. It is difficult to be exact about this. The playgrounds are usually open after school and during school holidays - if so they are included in after school and holiday provision.

The voluntary sector provides six of the adventure playgrounds¹ with 476 places (of which 'childcare' places account for about 190 under eights and 45 over eights). The local authority provides the other six with 605 places (of which about 170 are 'childcare' for under eights). The analysis also includes some provision specifically for children with disabilities and/or special educational needs.

A.1.4. Extended services in schools

This report is focusing on formal childcare to allow parents to work or study. Formal 'childcare' is one of the core services to be available to all primary school pupils all year round by 2010, either provided by the school or a partner on site or nearby. The breakfast and after school clubs listed above are part of that offer, and a few schools are buying services from other providers.

In secondary schools, the core service to be available to its pupils is not called 'childcare' but a *varied menu of activities in a safe place*. This report will touch briefly on what is available that might be consistent enough to allow parents to work or study, but for details you are asked to contact David Wainwright at Cambridge Education at Islington².

A.1.5. Provision for children with disabilities/special educational needs

In addition to the seven nursery places listed above in special schools, the report includes explanation of what services are available across the age-range up to 18, both specialised and mainstream. Given the pressures on families of children with SEN, it is likely that much of this provision could be for respite purposes. Nevertheless, we want to address the issue of SEN/disabilities quite broadly, given its importance, so that we can aim to offer a seamless service of support to parents, whether it is for respite or employment/study needs. Respite can also be crucial for all parents and carers in the early stages of transition to work.

A.1.6. Aupairs and nannies

Currently the local authority does not have much information about provision available with such home-based childcarers, although as nannies begin to register on the Ofsted Voluntary Childcare Register, we may access more information. The household survey did give us some useful information, which is referred to in Chapters Four (supply) and Five (Demand Part One - Household Survey).

A.1.7. Informal care

Care of children by parents, carers, relatives or friends is not 'formal' care. It is clearly an important option for many families, as shown through the household survey and focus groups. Information on use of such care is included in Chapter Five.

A.1.8. Family support

¹ One of these has changed its status to a young people's partnership with no open access since the audit was completed.

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Islington has a wide range of family support activities, including about 20 toy libraries, 67 parent-toddler groups / stays and plays and 34 crèches. Although they are very important both for the development of the children who access them, and for parents/carers, this report does not include these services as they do not generally allow parents to work or study.

A.2. List of group childcare providers included in analysis of supply³

A.2.1. Nursery settings (116)

Nursery Name	Type
Ambler Children's Centre and Extended School	Children's centre - maintained
Archway Children's Centre	Children's centre - maintained
Bemerton Children's Centre	Children's centre - maintained
Fortune Park Children's Centre	Children's centre - maintained
Goodinge Early Years Centre	Children's centre - maintained
Kate Greenaway Nursery School and Childrens Centre	Children's centre - maintained
New River Green Children's Centre	Children's centre - maintained
Willow Children's Centre	Children's centre - maintained
Margaret McMillan Nursery School	Local authority nursery school
North Islington Nursery School	Local authority nursery school
Hargrave Park Extended Community School	Extended school
Robert Blair Children's Centre	Extended school
Ashmount School Nursery	School with nursery
Blessed Sacrament RC Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
Canonbury Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
Christ the King RC Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
Copenhagen Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
Drayton Park Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
Duncombe Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
Gillespie Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
Grafton Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
Hanover Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
Hargrave Park Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
Highbury Quadrant Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
Hugh Myddelton Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
Hungerford Primary School	School with nursery
Laycock Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
Laycock School Deaf Unit Nursery	School with nursery
Montem Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
Moreland Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
Newington Green Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
Pakeman Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
Pooles Park Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
Robert Blair Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
Rotherfield Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
Sacred Heart Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
St Joan of Arc Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
St John Evangelist RC Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
St John's Primary School Nursery Upper Holloway	School with nursery
St Joseph's Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
St Luke's Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
St Peter's & St Paul's Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
The New North Community School Nursery	School with nursery
Thornhill Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
Tufnell Park Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
Vittona Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
William Tyndale Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
Winton Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
Yerbury Primary School Nursery	School with nursery
Andover Early Years Centre	Early years centre
Rosedale Early Years Centre	Early years centre
Richard Cloudesley School	Special needs provision
The Bridge School Primary Department	Special needs provision
Aberdeen Park Community Nursery	Community nursery
Andover Playgroup	Community nursery
Bentham Under Fives Centre	Community nursery
Blythwood Community Nursery	Community nursery
Bowlers Community Nursery	Community nursery

Nursery Name	Type
Caxton House Settlement Playgroup	Community nursery
East West Community Nursery	Community nursery
Highbury Community Nursery	Community nursery
Hillfots Playgroup	Community nursery
Hornsey Lane Estate Community Nursery	Community nursery
King Square Pre-school Playgroup	Community nursery
Manor Gardens Playgroup	Community nursery
Market Road Playgroup	Community nursery
Marineau Community Nursery	Community nursery
Mildmay Community Nursery	Community nursery
Minik Kardes Nursery	Community nursery
Mitford Under Fives Centre	Community nursery
Orkney House Community Nursery	Community nursery
Sam Morris Centre Nursery	Community nursery
St Mark's Pre-school Playgroup	Community nursery
St Mary's Pre-school	Community nursery
The Factory Nursery	Community nursery
Paradise Park Children's Centre	Children's centre - voluntary
Aubert Court Playgroup	Sessional playgroup
Christchurch Playgroup	Sessional playgroup
Essex Road Pre-school	Sessional playgroup
Hanover Playschool	Sessional playgroup
New River Playgroup	Sessional playgroup
Rosemary Gardens Playgroup (am)	Sessional playgroup
St Augustine's Playgroup	Sessional playgroup
St Thomas's Playgroup	Sessional playgroup
Beckett House Montessori Nursery School	Private nursery
Crouch Hill Day Nursery	Private nursery
Finsbury Park Day Nursery	Private nursery
Floral Place Nursery	Private nursery
Hopes and Dreams Day Nursery	Private nursery
Kidsunlimited Nurseries - Mango Tree	Private nursery
Little Angels Day Nursery & Pre-Prep School N19	Private nursery
Little Angels Day Nursery & Pre-Prep School N5	Private nursery
MARS Montessori Islington Green Nursery	Private nursery
Monkey Puzzle Day Nurseries	Private nursery
Monkey Puzzle Day Nursery	Private nursery
Montys Montessori	Private nursery
New Park Nursery and Montessori School	Private nursery
Places for Children	Private nursery
Spanish Sisters of Charity Day Nursery	Private nursery
St Andrew's Montessori	Private nursery
The Children's House Nursery School	Private nursery
The Grove Nursery	Private nursery
Tiny Todds Day Nursery	Private nursery
Beehive School and Nursery	Private school with nursery
Dallington School Nursery	Private school with nursery
Holly Park Montessori School	Private school with nursery
Rosebush Mulberrybush & Chestnut Tree Kindergarten	Private school with nursery
St Pauls Steiner School Playgroup	Private school with nursery
The Gower School	Private school with nursery
The Gowers School Montessori Primary	Private school with nursery
Camden Road Nursery	Workplace and college nursery
City & Islington College Lifelong Learning Nursery	Workplace and college nursery
London Metropolitan University Nursery	Workplace and college nursery
Peel Centre Childcare	Workplace and college nursery
Kidsunlimited - Mary Seacole Nursery	Workplace and college nursery
Royal Mail Childsplay Nursery	Workplace and college nursery

³ Names of childminders not given for data protection reasons

A.2.2. After school settings (47)

Ambler Children's Centre and Extended Day	Moreland Playcentre
Barnard Park Adventure Playground	Pakeman Extended Day (breakfast & after school)
Canonbury Playcentre	Peel Centre After School Club
Cape Play & Youth Project	Robert Blair Extended Service Before & After School
Caxton House Community Centre Out of School Club	Rose Bowl Youth Club
Copenhagen Before and After School Club	Rotherfield High Fliers
Cornwallis Adventure Playground	Schoolfriend at Christ the King RCPC
Crumbles Castle Adventure Playground	Schoolfriend at Hugh Myddelton School
Drayton Park Extended School Service	St Joan of Arc Playschool
Elizabeth House: Highbury Vale Blackstock Trust	St John Evangelist Primary School After School
Grafton Extended Day, breakfast & after school	St John's Upper Holloway CE School Buzz Club
Hanover After School Club	Sussex Way Extended School
Hargrave Park Extended Community School	The Bridge School
Haywards Adventure Playground	The Factory Out of School Project
Highbury Quadrant Extended Day	The Laundry
Hilldrop Community Centre After School Club	Thornhill Playcentre Breakfast and After School
Hornsey Lane Tenants' Association	Three Corners Adventure Playground
Hungerford Primary School	Timbuktu Adventure Playground
Kids' Club (William Tyndale After School Club)	Toffee Park Adventure Playground
King Henry's Walk Adventure Playground	Transcend
Laycock Playscheme	Waterside Project
Lumpy Hill Adventure Playground	Whittington After School Club
Martin Luther King Young People's Partnership	Whittington Holiday Playscheme
Montem Breakfast, Play & Clubs/Creche	

A.2.3. Breakfast settings (39)

Ambler	Moreland
Blessed Sacrament	New North Community School Breakfast Club
Canonbury Playcentre	Pakeman Extended Day (breakfast & after school)
Christ the King	Pooles Park School Breakfast Club
Copenhagen Before and After School Club	Robert Blair Extended Service Before & After School
Drayton Park Extended School Service	Rotherfield High Fliers
Duncombe School Breakfast Club	Sacred Heart
Gillespie School Breakfast Club	St Andrew's School Breakfast Club
Grafton Extended Day, breakfast & after school	St John's Highbury Vale
Hanover	St John's Upper Holloway School Breakfast Club
Hargrave Park Extended Community School	St Jude and St Paul's School Breakfast Club
Highbury Fields School for Girls Breakfast Club	St Luke's School Breakfast Club
Highbury Grove School Breakfast Club	St Mark's School Breakfast Club
Highbury Quadrant Extended Day	St Mary Magdalene School Breakfast Club
Holloway School Breakfast Club	The Factory Out of School Project
Hugh Myddelton Primary School Breakfast Club	Thornhill Playcentre Breakfast and After School
Hungerford Primary School	Vittoria School Breakfast Club
Hungerford School Breakfast Club	Winton School Breakfast Club
Kids' Club (William Tyndale After School Club)	Samuel Rhodes
Montem Breakfast, Play & Clubs/Creche	

A.2.4. Holiday settings (33):

All Kids	Lumpy Hill Adventure Playground
Arachne Holiday Playscheme at IAMS Plus,	Martin Luther King Young People's Partnership
Barnard Park Adventure Playground	Priory Heights Children's Centre
Canonbury Primary School	Robert Blair School Holiday Playscheme
Cape Play & Youth Project	Rose Bowl Youth Club
Caxton House	St Mary's Playscheme
Cornwallis Adventure Playground	Sunnyside
Crumbles Castle Adventure Playground	The Factory Out of School Project
Elizabeth House	The Laundry
Hargrave Park Extended Community School	The Peel Centre
Haywards Adventure Playground	Three Corners Adventure Playground
Highbury Roundhouse After School Club	Timbuktu Adventure Playground
Hilldrop Playcentre	Toffee Park Adventure Playground
Hornsey Lane Estate Community Centre	Transcend
Hungerford Primary School	Waterside Project
Isledon Village Playscheme	Whittington Holiday Playscheme
King Henry's Walk Adventure Playground	