

DE/2026-021 – Freedom of Information Request

Request:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I request the following information in relation to payments made under the Northern Ireland Childcare Subsidy Scheme (NICSS):

1. The total amount of public funding paid under NICSS in each financial year since the scheme's inception;
2. A breakdown of payments made to organisational providers (including companies, charities and registered childcare organisations), by provider name and total amount paid in each financial year;
3. In respect of any payments made to sole traders or individual providers, the total number of such providers and the aggregate amount paid in each financial year;
4. Total NICSS expenditure by provider type (e.g. full day care, sessional care, childminders) and by local council area for each financial year.

For the avoidance of doubt, this request distinguishes between organisational providers and any payments made to natural persons acting as sole traders. I note that information relating to payments made to organisations does not constitute personal data for the purposes of the UK GDPR.

Where any part of this request is considered to engage an exemption under the Act, I would ask that the Department apply the statutory tests on a case-by-case basis and consider partial disclosure, aggregation or redaction where appropriate.

If the cost limit is engaged, I would be grateful if you could advise how the scope of the request might be refined to bring it within the appropriate limit.

Department Response:

1. The total amount of public funding paid under NICSS in each financial year since the scheme's inception

The following table provides a total expenditure paid to NICSS registered providers in respect of subsidy payments (used to reduce invoices by up to 15%), one-off set up fees and monthly administration fees.

Year	Total
2024/2025	£9,474,020
2025/2026	£17,566,672

2. A breakdown of payments made to organisational providers (including companies, charities and registered childcare organisations), by provider name and total amount paid in each financial year

A copy of this information is attached at **Annex A**.

The amounts disclosed should not be interpreted as additional income nor profit for the childcare provider. They are reflective of reimbursement for invoiced childcare used by eligible parents/carers and are inclusive of small administration and set-up fee payments made to providers. NICSS payments correspond strictly to the childcare hours invoiced.

3. In respect of any payments made to sole traders or individual providers, the total number of such providers and the aggregate amount paid in each financial year;

No of Providers	TOTAL 2024/25	TOTAL 2025/26
1,302 (Approved Home Childcare & Registered Childminders)	£1,911,537	£3,030,010

4. Total NICSS expenditure by provider type (e.g. full day care, sessional care, childminders) and by local council area for each financial year.

A copy of this information is attached at **Annex B**. Again, payments correspond to the childcare hours invoiced, inclusive of one-off set up fees and monthly administration fees.

Annex A: “2. A breakdown of payments made to organisational providers (including companies, charities and registered childcare organisations), by provider name and total amount paid in each financial year”

Provider Organisation	Provider Type	2024/25	2025/26
Harpurs Hill Children and Family Centre Ltd Playgroup	Creche	868	123
Childrens Lane Creche	Creche	1133	280
Wee Chicks Creche	Creche	851	169
Ballybeen Womens Day Care	Creche	1220	786
Shalom Daycare	Creche	933	970
The Womens Centre Creche	Creche	0	1223
Dunluce Creche	Creche	964	572
Culmore Kids Club	Creche	2191	7386
Country Kids Childcare	Creche	0	5632
First Steps Childrens Centre	Day Nursery	14233	20765
Fermanagh Early Years Children & Family Centre	Day Nursery	53294	84291
Hilltop Day Nursery	Day Nursery	20190	32839
Giggles and Wiggles Childcare	Day Nursery	19024	39718
Down Royal Day Care	Day Nursery	27308	64935
Red Brick House Day Nursery	Day Nursery	36981	65842
Bees Nees Early Years Centre	Day Nursery	4923	7385
Merdyn Day Nursery	Day Nursery	35858	64811
Important Mini People	Day Nursery	45291	76015
Articlave Daycare Nursery	Day Nursery	25744	45601
Rainbows Private Day Nursery	Day Nursery	19445	42368
Little Einsteins Child Care	Day Nursery	24244	43244
Kidz Lodge Childcare	Day Nursery	21867	41563
Fundays Childcare	Day Nursery	28964	50977
Laura's Lodge Day Nursery	Day Nursery	22728	37237
The Den Day Nursery	Day Nursery	34639	55487
Young Ones Day Nursery	Day Nursery	42414	87680
Rascals Day Nursery	Day Nursery	86117	160013
Rascals Day Nursery	Day Nursery	38374	61242
Rascals Day Nursery	Day Nursery	27619	50510
Adventures Day Nursery	Day Nursery	12923	26743
Wee Care Day Nursery	Day Nursery	46237	95431
Falls Womens Centre Day Nursery	Day Nursery	5753	7688
Holy Trinity Centre	Day Nursery	1779	1226
Blackie River Daycare	Day Nursery	5784	11552
Shankill Womens Centre Childcare	Day Nursery	2268	2031
Wiggles and Giggles Educare	Day Nursery	15276	25323
Rascals Day Nursery	Day Nursery	38030	66407
Puddleducks Day Nursery	Day Nursery	13562	20181
Wee Care Day Nursery	Day Nursery	20281	33362
Wee Care Day Nursery	Day Nursery	43796	110168

Bumbles Day Care	Day Nursery	42260	73775
Wee Care Day Nursery	Day Nursery	16645	16027
Scribbles Day Nursery	Day Nursery	22653	40597
Greenway Womens Centre Childcare	Day Nursery	1892	1027
Kids at BT9 Day Nursery	Day Nursery	35214	53943
Carryduff Play Care Centre	Day Nursery	11359	20503
Wee Care Day Nursery	Day Nursery	36779	57133
Teach Mhamo	Day Nursery	11959	21311
Magical Memories Daycare	Day Nursery	8796	12877
Glen Community Parent Youth Group	Day Nursery	19591	35383
Wee Muckers Daycare	Day Nursery	8467	15923
Oasis Early Years	Day Nursery	9395	12753
Bumbles in the Park	Day Nursery	7667	16921
Bumbles on the Hill	Day Nursery	42958	79342
Norwood Childrens Daycare	Day Nursery	24085	38381
The Rocking Horse Nursery	Day Nursery	54434	96659
Rascals Day Nursery	Day Nursery	43702	89176
Jollytots Nursery	Day Nursery	28401	44964
Happy Days Nursery	Day Nursery	26705	56072
Acorns Day Nursery	Day Nursery	12056	30133
Country Treasures Daycare	Day Nursery	39851	79436
Appletree Childcare	Day Nursery	16503	22959
Nedz 2 Day Care Facility	Day Nursery	3148	8020
Happy Days Community Childcare Centre	Day Nursery	41861	81005
Washingford Day Care	Day Nursery	12204	20649
Buddies Daycare	Day Nursery	27581	59026
Sleepy Hollow @ St MacNissis	Day Nursery	6190	17549
Primroses Playhouse Day Nursery	Day Nursery	27485	38024
Mulberry Bush Day Nursery and Afterschool by Wee Care	Day Nursery	59345	113595
Jolly Jesters Day Nursery	Day Nursery	11551	23036
Pineview Day Nursery	Day Nursery	33772	65655
Kidz University	Day Nursery	15470	27474
The Ark Day Nursery	Day Nursery	46645	87997
Totz n Teenz	Day Nursery	11158	17393
Kids and Bibs Daycare Ltd	Day Nursery	34807	63653
Bright Stars	Day Nursery	2479	8669
First Steps Day Nursery	Day Nursery	47214	103635
Cots and Tots	Day Nursery	13662	29227
Kids Academy	Day Nursery	9759	0
Kids Academy Tandragee	Day Nursery	26246	83350
Scotwell House Day Nursery	Day Nursery	28104	50842
Hollypark Private Nursery and Preschool	Day Nursery	40865	76418
Teenie Weenies Daycare	Day Nursery	47793	92195
Little Explorers Nursery 2	Day Nursery	7496	11963

Superstars Daycare & Afterschool	Day Nursery	24166	43752
The Woolstore	Day Nursery	17786	37035
Jolly Rodgers Day Nursery Ltd	Day Nursery	60563	111954
Cuddles Day Nursery	Day Nursery	16409	29170
Wonder Years Day Nursery	Day Nursery	18280	32444
Rockmount Day Nursery	Day Nursery	28652	51910
Chatterbox Day Nursery	Day Nursery	54098	109264
Safe and Sound Day Nursery	Day Nursery	27484	55106
Right Rascals Private Day Nursery	Day Nursery	35636	67570
Happy Days Day Nursery	Day Nursery	15045	37124
Happy Days Day Nursery	Day Nursery	30825	57212
Country Kids Day Nursery	Day Nursery	37827	72104
Happy Days Day Nursery	Day Nursery	7356	13100
Oakey Dokey Day Care	Day Nursery	37677	70900
Peartree Barn Nursery	Day Nursery	38610	76975
Helping Hands Daycare	Day Nursery	63455	116054
Little Seedlings Day Nursery	Day Nursery	57610	104460
Safe and Sound Day Nursery 2	Day Nursery	30612	69176
Kindergarten Kids	Day Nursery	29223	54577
Oopsy Daisy	Day Nursery	4000	1018
Magic Kingdom	Day Nursery	21257	53270
Sleepy Hollow Early Childhood Centre	Day Nursery	16870	31893
Happy Days Day Nursery	Day Nursery	13411	29953
Cabbage Patch Private Day Nursery	Day Nursery	22557	52009
Burrendale Day Nursery	Day Nursery	39909	74732
Omagh Early Years Daycare Centre	Day Nursery	36323	61637
Hollybush Day Care	Day Nursery	20191	30199
Stepping Stones Day Nursery	Day Nursery	13033	17934
Rascals Day Nursery	Day Nursery	37266	61641
Kiddi Kare Day Nursery	Day Nursery	27409	40148
Drumahoe Childcare Ltd	Day Nursery	16949	37915
Washingford Daycare at South West College	Day Nursery	8728	14684
Burrendale Senior Daycare	Day Nursery	2245	2425
Brightside Daycare	Day Nursery	11106	15868
Little Kidz by Kidz Montessori	Day Nursery	22904	41751
UACF Daycare	Day Nursery	8041	5850
Little Ones Day Nursery	Day Nursery	16491	26184
Kubby Day Nursery	Day Nursery	23852	43147
Little Rays Day Nursery	Day Nursery	57026	101006
Little Rays Day Nursery	Day Nursery	42051	79544
Little Rays 2 Day Nursery	Day Nursery	14123	33601
Blossom Daycare	Day Nursery	9658	20235
Childs Play Pre-School & Afterschool	Day Nursery	3058	6358
Clearly Kids Day Nursery	Day Nursery	51798	89120

Cloneen Day Nursery	Day Nursery	29505	54202
Acre Wood Daycare	Day Nursery	5699	8548
Playtime Childcare Centre	Day Nursery	71762	90856
First Steps Junior Academy	Day Nursery	29397	44635
Friends Day Nursery	Day Nursery	33245	71380
Groomsport Day Nursery	Day Nursery	8502	9627
Happy Days Childcare Centre	Day Nursery	10195	21027
Happy Children Day Nursery	Day Nursery	27984	50082
Home from Home Daycare	Day Nursery	6285	5457
Hullabaloo Day Nursery	Day Nursery	28381	51826
iKids Day Nursery	Day Nursery	63154	123753
Barnabys Day Nursery	Day Nursery	22711	37858
Careers N Kids	Day Nursery	3453	5378
Inkpots Day Nursery	Day Nursery	30315	63874
Kidz Montessori Day Nursery	Day Nursery	15154	54208
Robins Nest Day Nursery	Day Nursery	17097	41571
Over the Rainbow Daycare Ltd @ Deramore	Day Nursery	35606	71791
Over the Rainbow Daycare Ltd @ Eglantine	Day Nursery	50603	97175
Jigsaw Day Nursery	Day Nursery	96196	203066
Kidz Universe	Day Nursery	40066	64134
Little Friends Private Day Care	Day Nursery	51390	95202
Little Stars Day Care	Day Nursery	8652	15021
Ionad Uibh Eachach	Day Nursery	13855	28633
Tiddlywinkers Day Nursery	Day Nursery	10095	20893
Rainbow Daycare (Wraparound)	Day Nursery	1908	4157
Trinity Park Nursery	Day Nursery	21196	34931
YMCA Daycare & Afterschools	Day Nursery	35366	85210
Childsplay Day Nursery	Day Nursery	19605	31373
Little Gems Day Nursery	Day Nursery	55038	122096
Ligoniel Family Centre	Day Nursery	1913	777
Kiddiwinkles Care & Learning Centre	Day Nursery	36995	75316
Silver Birch Childcare	Day Nursery	26446	57142
Holly House Day Nursery	Day Nursery	32012	65120
Ozanam Daycare	Day Nursery	44388	82305
Kids Academy	Day Nursery	39046	85326
Mother Hubbards Day Nursery	Day Nursery	13463	26768
Giggles Daycare	Day Nursery	66515	115849
Happy Kids Daycare	Day Nursery	33366	66973
Wonder World Day Nursery	Day Nursery	49674	102249
Snuggles Day Nursery	Day Nursery	32858	66159
Cottontails Day Nursery	Day Nursery	16309	32644
Around the Corner Daycare	Day Nursery	16430	25409
Small World Day Nursery	Day Nursery	5326	9269
Cocoon Day Care Nursery	Day Nursery	24801	40198

Buddies Childtime Centre	Day Nursery	40391	70997
Country Kidz Day Care	Day Nursery	32319	56210
Hillcrest Day Nursery	Day Nursery	49498	85681
Newhill First Steps Childcare Centre	Day Nursery	4714	6654
Kiddiwinkles at Ballysaggart	Day Nursery	10024	14757
Buddies Day Nursery	Day Nursery	32191	51386
Kiddiwinkles Care & Learning Centre	Day Nursery	32438	51893
Kinderkids 2 McSweeney	Day Nursery	9959	20461
Kinderkids Day Nursery at Cliftonville	Day Nursery	6449	17473
The Magic Roundabout	Day Nursery	46110	84868
Petite Feet Day Nursery	Day Nursery	18089	31930
Primrose Hill Day Nursery	Day Nursery	26356	46456
Dry Arch Childrens Centre Day Nursery	Day Nursery	15435	18420
Building Blocks Day Nursery	Day Nursery	27768	49261
Wee Bears Day Nursery	Day Nursery	21312	36886
Ashvale Private Day Nursery	Day Nursery	33102	57400
Ashvale 2	Day Nursery	34278	54025
Peters Patch Day Nursery	Day Nursery	53342	97032
White Hare Daycare	Day Nursery	26645	37828
Tiger Tots Day Nursery	Day Nursery	31011	53813
Willowbank Daycare Nursery	Day Nursery	17643	33695
Small Talk Day Nursery	Day Nursery	36585	53152
Kiddiwinkles Care & Learning Centre	Day Nursery	47938	90550
Clearly Kids	Day Nursery	42084	77624
Snowdrops Day Nursery	Day Nursery	22847	30446
Kids Korner Day Nursery	Day Nursery	43034	80919
First Steps	Day Nursery	15389	39914
Kids Korner Day Nursery	Day Nursery	54227	100443
Glendurragh Childcare Services Limited	Day Nursery	32934	54623
Greendale Nursery	Day Nursery	79477	131621
Greenfields Day Care	Day Nursery	23308	43643
Happy Hills Day Nursery	Day Nursery	21701	38273
Happy Hills Day Nursery & Out of School Club	Day Nursery	18162	34696
Ladybird Lane Nursery	Day Nursery	51967	134477
Little Kingdom Kids Ltd.	Day Nursery	15054	27714
Little Treasures Day Nursery	Day Nursery	37069	74400
Stepping Stones Creche	Day Nursery	25314	37634
Bella Bambinos Day Nursery	Day Nursery	54567	102005
Wishing Well Daycare	Day Nursery	10238	15889
Kids First	Day Nursery	23867	55682
Little Stars Private Day Nursery	Day Nursery	21126	42409
Little Kingdom Kids Ltd. (Carrowdore)	Day Nursery	20316	35444
Little Explorers	Day Nursery	15288	17719
Little Treasures Day Nursery	Day Nursery	47109	85852

Petite Feet Plus	Day Nursery	15007	29853
Neddy Teddy's Day Nursery	Day Nursery	27659	60964
Nedz at Thrushfield	Day Nursery	20515	40324
Little Hands Little Feet	Day Nursery	43933	74085
Nellies Baby Unit	Day Nursery	4226	8392
Nellies Day Care	Day Nursery	5359	12258
The Nursery	Day Nursery	52248	81517
Mayogall Day Nursery	Day Nursery	27815	50498
The Old School House Day Nursery & Afterschool	Day Nursery	31649	43215
The Den @ Knockagh	Day Nursery	14266	33821
TinyTots Daycare	Day Nursery	21658	44003
Little Rays Day Nursery	Day Nursery	16280	236
Little Rays Day Nursery (Moirá)	Day Nursery	42555	111129
Astoria Kindergarten	Day Nursery	2530	0
Astoria Kindergarten & Wraparound	Day Nursery	4839	16343
Bright Beginnings Day Care	Day Nursery	20825	42016
The Old Station Day Care Nursery	Day Nursery	38154	80637
Angels Day Care	Day Nursery	16590	23226
Playloft at Kiddiwinkles	Day Nursery	16247	44640
Happy Faces Day Care	Day Nursery	44547	97712
Mulberry Bush Day Nursery	Day Nursery	29817	49916
Paddington's Little Treasures Day Nursery	Day Nursery	37620	60956
Paddington's Little Treasures Day Nursery	Day Nursery	6324	0
Oaktree Childrens Private Day Nursery	Day Nursery	40598	84245
TLC Tender Loving Childcare	Day Nursery	31224	62047
TLC Daycare	Day Nursery	4908	8339
Ladybirds Childcare	Day Nursery	4930	7778
Footprints Womens Centre Daycare	Day Nursery	3661	5390
Busy Kids Daycare	Day Nursery	17805	35773
Busy Kids Daycare	Day Nursery	20912	43931
Bulrush Day Nursery	Day Nursery	9355	14663
Care Bear Creche Ltd	Day Nursery	17598	37905
Petals Daycare & Afterschools	Day Nursery	2588	2118
Childcare Services at Queens	Day Nursery	8587	12975
Aisling Daycare	Day Nursery	28660	61363
The Beeches Day Nursery	Day Nursery	23822	40887
Paddington Lodge Day Nursery	Day Nursery	36628	69343
Paddington Lodge Day Nursery	Day Nursery	34420	67749
Little Bears Day Nursery	Day Nursery	14708	26237
Rainbow Community Childcare	Day Nursery	21919	42722
Small World Day Nursery	Day Nursery	15561	22870
Royal Daycare Nursery	Day Nursery	9536	13927
Start Smart Daycare	Day Nursery	5763	15179
Country Bumpkins	Day Nursery	46706	118993

Victoria College Daycare	Day Nursery	8607	7709
Malone Kindergarten	Day Nursery	20681	29033
Inchmarlo Wrap Around Day Care	Day Nursery	6682	10754
Sleepy Hollow Day Nursery	Day Nursery	23156	37915
Bluebell Childcare Ltd	Day Nursery	22080	36984
Sleepy Hollow Early Childhood Centre	Day Nursery	13437	18930
Scribblers Day Nursery	Day Nursery	10823	19571
Desart Lodge Nursery	Day Nursery	21584	36127
Sleepy Hollow Child Care Centre	Day Nursery	17737	29116
Treetops Day Nursery	Day Nursery	21398	38168
Oakwood Childcare Centre	Day Nursery	29693	60857
Little Stars Daycare	Day Nursery	23376	50600
Cornabracken Daycare at Holy Family	Day Nursery	15510	34629
Appletree Daycare	Day Nursery	18277	38929
Puzzles Childcare	Day Nursery	24773	48707
Little Blessings Daycare	Day Nursery	12256	17220
New Beginnings Day Care	Day Nursery	7170	13381
An Droichead Daycare	Day Nursery	11226	20200
Sandcastles Day Nursery	Day Nursery	30752	53495
Cornabracken Daycare	Day Nursery	22124	37137
Nellies Day Care	Day Nursery	19310	29109
Play Days Nursery	Day Nursery	24352	40157
San Pio Day Care	Day Nursery	3096	4599
Wee Bunnies Daycare	Day Nursery	9059	13808
Appletree Day Nursery	Day Nursery	19066	38388
Small Wonders Childcare	Day Nursery	4134	2922
Campbell College Kindergarten	Day Nursery	10647	16138
Bluebell Lodge Private Day Nursery	Day Nursery	33274	61779
Wallace Day Nursery	Day Nursery	6400	4038
Dry Arch Childrens Centre Day Nursery	Day Nursery	16622	28533
Nellies Daycare	Day Nursery	16881	39626
Washingford Day Care	Day Nursery	7735	12993
Washingford Day Care	Day Nursery	9795	18057
Hubbert`s Hill Day Nursery	Day Nursery	34224	48444
Alessie Centre Early Years Day Care	Day Nursery	8653	15065
Clearly Kids	Day Nursery	10002	19566
First Steps Day Nursery	Day Nursery	19388	34260
First Steps Day Nursery	Day Nursery	5024	6879
Larne Community Care Centre Day Nursery	Day Nursery	2007	213
Rockport School Daycare	Day Nursery	1885	794
Whiterock Childrens Centre	Day Nursery	1819	1769
Curam Leanai Na Fuisioige	Day Nursery	10709	12056
Early Learners Day Nursery	Day Nursery	7656	18646
Downey House Pre-School	Day Nursery	2744	1065

Fullerton House Playgroup	Day Nursery	2222	4808
The Little Orchard	Day Nursery	22851	61574
Carnmoney Private Day Nursery	Day Nursery	4327	13402
Ben Madigan Daycare	Day Nursery	3980	1194
Daisy Day Care NI Ltd	Day Nursery	2014	5024
Paddington Little Birdies	Day Nursery	3236	27909
Helping Hands Daycare (Ballycastle) Ltd	Day Nursery	2681	25352
Happy Haven	Day Nursery	2614	14760
Rise & Shine Daycare	Day Nursery	0	3281
Rspace (Bangor)	Day Nursery	0	8210
Giggle N Grow	Day Nursery	0	4118
Little Weavers Day Care	Day Nursery	0	2053
Friends Day Nursery	Out of School	31972	72853
Peters Patch Forest School & Afterschool Club	Out of School	1497	5472
Peters Patch Pre-School	Out of School	890	0
Solas Afterschools	Out of School	0	1234
Maggie's Afterschool Club	Out of School	0	2878
4-11's After Schools Club	Out of School	0	6967
Our wee family afterschool	Out of School	726	1713
KOOL KIDZ	Out of School	696	5274
Kids cabin out of school club	Out of School	0	4854
Little Munchkins Kids Club	Out of School	0	6093
Children's Lane Childcare Ltd	Out of School	0	1913
123 After School Club	Out of School	0	8160
Camowen Smart Kids	Out of School	0	4475
Little Munchkins Kids Club	Out of School	0	2839
Kids Inn After School Club	Out of School	0	1629
Munchkins Afterschool Club Ballymena	Out of School	0	3809
Buttercups out of School Care Ltd	Out of School	0	19738
Stay and Play at Loughview	Out of School	0	10379
Dunloy Wraparound Club	Out of School	0	3178
Small Wonders Childcare (Afterschools)	Out of School	0	2254
Over the Hedge Afterschool	Out of School	0	7278
Play for All Seagoe	Out of School	0	5264
Play For All Ballinderry	Out of School	0	1953
Play for All Mallusk	Out of School	0	5662
School's Out Castle Gardens PS	Out of School	0	3557
Vine Centre Afterschools	Out of School	0	1346
Loughgiel Afterschools	Out of School	0	2703
Waringstown Children's Centre	Out of School	0	1661
Allstars Out of School Club Ltd	Out of School	0	4713
The Play Station	Out of School	0	12120
KIDZ PATCH	Out of School	0	4529
TANNAGHMORE AFTER SCHOOL (321 CLUB)	Out of School	0	3312

Club4up Afterschool	Out of School	0	2717
Kidzone Afterschool	Out of School	0	2988
Leadhill PS Breakfast and After School Club	Out of School	0	2492
Kids Cove after school club	Out of School	0	2324
Strabane & District Playclub	Out of School	0	2679
The Lookout Out of School	Out of School	0	1350
Killinchy Afterschool	Out of School	0	2182
Model kidz club	Out of School	0	4676
St Colmcille's ASC	Out of School	0	3053
Mariners Afterschool Care	Out of School	0	2016
Cairde Uí Néill	Out of School	0	1117
Sleepy Hollow @ Braniel PS	Out of School	0	2557
Sleepy Hollow @ Dundela PS	Out of School	0	4906
St. John's Bright Start	Out of School	0	1328
Krafty Kidz	Out of School	0	2973
The Fox's Den	Out of School	0	1272
The Cubby	Out of School	0	1481
The Climbing Tree	Out of School	0	7766
venture kids	Out of School	0	10705
Holy Trinity After Schools	Out of School	0	2097
Penrhyn Prep School	Out of School	0	2135
Play for All Rosario	Out of School	0	4324
Play for All Grange	Out of School	0	7355
Sleepy Hollow @ St Itas Primary School	Out of School	0	13000
Sleepy Hollow @ Greenwood Ps	Out of School	0	6049
Sleepy Hollow @ St Bernards Ps	Out of School	0	5504
Sleepy Hollow @ Harmony Hill PS	Out of School	0	12858
Sleepy Hollow @ St Therese of Lisieux PS	Out of School	0	2458
Sleepy Hollow @ Strandtown Ps	Out of School	0	5616
Sleepy Hollow @ Killowen PS	Out of School	0	3160
Sleepy Hollow @ Carrickfergus Model PS	Out of School	0	5299
Sleepy Hollow @ St Marys on the Hill PS	Out of School	0	3631
Sleepy Hollow @ St Comgalls PS	Out of School	0	4260
Sleepy Hollow at Edenderry PS (Portadown)	Out of School	0	1927
Sleepy Hollow @ Knockbreda PS	Out of School	0	1437
Sleepy Hollow @ Meadow Bridge PS	Out of School	0	4133
Sleepy Hollow @ Methody Prep	Out of School	0	2092
Sleepy Hollow @ Oakfield PS	Out of School	0	1786
Sleepy Hollow @ Loanends PS	Out of School	0	2719
Sleepy Hollow @ Linn PS	Out of School	0	951
Sleepy Hollow @ Cairnshill IPS	Out of School	0	12524
Kidztime Afterschool Club	Out of School	0	2054
Little Explorers (NI) Limited	Out of School	0	5256
Sleepy Hollow at Saints & Scholars PS (Armagh)	Out of School	0	3379

Ladybirds After School Club	Out of School	0	2059
The Climbing Tree @ Wandsworth	Out of School	0	4829
Jollytots Kids R Cool	Out of School	0	6148
Hollywood After School Club	Out of School	0	2471
Totz N Teenz Afterschool	Out of School	0	2725
Derrytrasna Breakfast and Afterschool Club	Out of School	0	1197
Gnó na nÓg Bunscoil an tSléibhe Dhuibh	Out of School	0	1136
Little Scamps Afterschool Ltd	Out of School	0	4707
Gracehill After School Club	Out of School	0	4055
Clandeboyne Nature Rangers - NIFSA	Out of School	0	1877
Ruby Roos	Out of School	0	3423
Mount St Michaels Afterschools Childcare	Out of School	0	833
School's Out NI Victoria PS	Out of School	0	2218
Active Allsorts Afterschools	Out of School	0	1065
Important Mini People - Out of School Club	Out of School	0	4446
School-aged, Play, Afterschools and Educational (SPACE) Station	Out of School	0	1672
Venture Kids 2	Out of School	0	9130
Kidsworld After School Club	Out of School	0	1175
Paddington Out of School Club	Out of School	0	982
The Fox's Den at Cavehill	Out of School	0	3466
Kids United Playcare Facilities (Afterschool	Out of School	0	2020
The Fox's Den St Malachy's Primary School	Out of School	0	915
The Fox's Den @ Kilmaine	Out of School	0	4470
Bumbles By The Park	Out of School	0	6355
Bumbles Day Care Rosetta Wraparound	Out of School	0	8920
FAST Club	Out of School	0	1898
St Teresa's Out of Schools	Out of School	0	802
little saints Out of School	Out of School	0	5953
Confident Kids	Out of School	0	7763
North Down YMCA	Out of School	0	3971
North Down YMCA Rathmore	Out of School	0	3821
Family Learning Centre	Out of School	0	1202
Wee Chicks After School	Out of School	0	4495
Little Treasures Out of School	Out of School	0	3735
Bloomfield Playcare	Out of School	0	1098
Small World Day Nursery	Out of School	0	5594
Forthspring Inter Community Group	Out of School	0	1079
Larne YMCA	Out of School	0	2078
Jiminy Crickets After School Club	Out of School	0	7682
St Conor's Playzone	Out of School	0	3647
Gnó na nÓg - School Age Gaelscoil Éanna	Out of School	0	1825
Brocagh After Schools Club	Out of School	0	1820
Ollie's Afterschool Care	Out of School	0	1835
Kids Corner Play Care	Out of School	0	8534

Drumellan Children & Young People's Centre-Afterschool	Out of School	0	2333
Cornabracken Kids Space	Out of School	0	2333
Sullivan Upper Preparatory School After School Club	Out of School	0	933
Draperstown / Workspace Afterschool Club	Out of School	0	3940
Mill Strand Children's Centre	Out of School	0	3290
Cool Kidz	Out of School	0	3704
Little rascals Afterschools	Out of School	0	1457
Keady Outa Schools Club	Out of School	0	1104
Jack and Jill Childcare	Out of School	0	1860
Little Acorns Out of school, Derrymore	Out of School	0	738
DPS OUT OF SCHOOL CLUB	Out of School	0	892
Orchard Out of School Club	Out of School	0	2559
YMCA After School Club - Crawfordsburn	Out of School	0	2028
The Globe Afterschool club	Out of School	0	3567
Mullanaskea After-Schools	Out of School	0	1619
Happy Hills Out of School Club	Out of School	0	1586
Little Larks Childcare	Out of School	0	848
Glengormley Integrated Pre-School Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	5321	6120
Busy Bees Preschool	Pre-School Playgroup	2154	1973
St Polycarps Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	6092	6705
TLC Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	695	0
Daisies Playgroup at St Andrews	Pre-School Playgroup	2926	3551
Kidzone Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	1188	524
Little Buds Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	1992	1756
Epworth Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	1511	0
Play for All Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	3803	3094
Bawn Bunnies Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	4130	4215
Movilla Playgroup & Nursery	Pre-School Playgroup	3651	3726
St Malachys Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	0	1889
Bright Sparks Montessori Pre-School	Pre-School Playgroup	3532	6214
Derrymacash Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	1716	2961
Tiny Tots Community Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	1120	805

Little Friends Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	1783	1011
Little Oaks Pre-School	Pre-School Playgroup	4695	4316
North Lurgan Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	3629	2403
Sunflower Early Years Group	Pre-School Playgroup	1350	1047
Belmont Playcare	Pre-School Playgroup	2383	6826
Leadhill PS Pre-School Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	2966	2338
Gleno Pre-School	Pre-School Playgroup	1114	747
Tober Tinys Community Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	975	433
Ballymacash Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	1779	2001
Drumaness Cross Community Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	1186	1265
Ballynure Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	2820	3520
Naiscoil Mhachaire Ratha	Pre-School Playgroup	1046	528
Ladybirds Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	4195	5876
Kidz Patch Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	1940	1904
Little Scamps Playgroup Ltd	Pre-School Playgroup	2068	2885
Newcastle Preschool Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	1020	549
Ballymacward Pre-School Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	1477	955
Noahs Ark Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	2191	3047
Naiscoil Charn Tochair	Pre-School Playgroup	944	382
Mallusk Community Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	3019	3130
Drumellan Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	1468	1528
Ballycrochan Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	3447	3223
Smart Attack Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	958	452
Bleary Busy Bees Pre-School	Pre-School Playgroup	3076	4377
Jack and Jill Childcare Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	1941	1728

Ballybeen Womens Toddle Group	Pre-School Playgroup	1843	1367
Hundred Acre Wood Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	4731	6834
Kilbride Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	0	917
Little Acorns Pre-School	Pre-School Playgroup	1871	1357
Little Stars Pre-School	Pre-School Playgroup	8199	9097
Rowandale Community Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	2507	2718
Taylorstown Cross Community Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	1052	398
Bloomfield Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	688	0
Stormont Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	3229	4372
Crumlin Integrated Pre-School	Pre-School Playgroup	1004	140
Apple Blossom Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	0	1094
Naiscoil an Cheide	Pre-School Playgroup	776	191
Ashgrove Pre-School Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	1675	1532
Keady Pre-School Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	0	947
Brackenagh Busy Bees Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	2183	2733
Evergreen Wood Playschool	Pre-School Playgroup	893	96
Bangor West Nursery Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	2218	1357
Cuan Kids Community Pre-School	Pre-School Playgroup	1023	603
174 Trust Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	1514	1215
Kids United Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	1356	2614
Happy Tots Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	3620	3668
Little Stars Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	2231	1277
Seymour Hill Pre-School & Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	0	1182
Hansel and Gretel Pre-School	Pre-School Playgroup	920	146
Bangor Abbey Pre-School Centre Ltd.	Pre-School Playgroup	1486	1057

Black Mountain Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	1226	276
Straidarran Community Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	0	936
Hollywood Steiner Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	1022	1353
Peatlands Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	1087	326
Ballygowan Community Pre-School & Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	785	193
Banana Bunch Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	1714	1167
Castle Gardens Pre-School	Pre-School Playgroup	1331	839
McClintock Pre-School Centre	Pre-School Playgroup	1025	985
SEN Space & Respite Services CIC Pre-School	Pre-School Playgroup	845	1507
Regent House Pre-School Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	4831	6387
Derrytrasna Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	812	266
Playhouse Activity Centre Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	1149	599
Rathkeltair Cross Community Preschool	Pre-School Playgroup	807	135
Taghnevan Preschool Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	1995	1204
Tannaghmore Gardens Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	2516	1653
The Firs Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	3453	2983
Donagh Wee Folk Playschool	Pre-School Playgroup	705	0
Loughgall Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	0	741
Orange Pips Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	2633	1862
Greengables Pre-School	Pre-School Playgroup	0	1403
Teconnaught Cross Community Pre-School	Pre-School Playgroup	830	115
Naiscoil Ghreanachain	Pre-School Playgroup	816	33
Gracehill and Galgorm Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	1868	556
Rainbow Corner Pre-School & Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	1153	750
Kilmood Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	821	610

St Bernards Pre-School Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	1118	1153
Hobby Horse Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	1297	1137
Bo-Peep Corner Pre-School Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	770	127
Early Days Preschool (Bangor) Limited	Pre-School Playgroup	2252	940
Cloughmills Early Years	Pre-School Playgroup	1083	541
Puzzles Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	3672	6714
Sunshine Community Playgroup & Pre-School	Pre-School Playgroup	1325	1544
Eden Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	2262	4544
Mulberry Bush Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	2722	2622
Moyraverty Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	991	570
Montessori Pre-School Helens Bay	Pre-School Playgroup	2734	3732
Drumbeg Pre-School Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	1209	630
Broughshane Playgroup Ltd	Pre-School Playgroup	1015	819
Gnó na nÓG	Pre-School Playgroup	694	936
Monbrief Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	0	664
Kiddies Castle Early Years	Pre-School Playgroup	0	710
Puddleducks Playgroup Ltd	Pre-School Playgroup	0	666
Hollywood Play Company	Pre-School Playgroup	0	10591
Woodburn Pre-School Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	0	832
St. Mary's on the Hill Pre-school Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	0	987
The Crew	Pre-School Playgroup	0	1215
The Little Childcare Company	Pre-School Playgroup	0	14240
Buttonmoon Pre-School	Pre-School Playgroup	0	1149
Strabane Primary Community Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	0	3490
LCDI - Limavady Family Centre	Pre-School Playgroup	0	3303

Leitrim Community Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	0	816
High Kirk Community Preschool	Pre-School Playgroup	0	1046
Bright Sparks Pre-School	Pre-School Playgroup	0	711
LOUGHINISLAND CROSS COMMUNITY PRESCHOOL	Pre-School Playgroup	0	902
Little Acorns Playgroup, Derrymore	Pre-School Playgroup	0	956
Naiscoil an Chreagain	Pre-School Playgroup	0	955
Carlisle Hall Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	0	1120
Kilroot Playgroup	Pre-School Playgroup	0	1079
St Mary's Afterschool Club	Primary School	0	5250
Bushvalley Primary School	Primary School	0	1733
Whiteabbey Primary School	Primary School	0	3807
Moira Primary School	Primary School	0	3805
St Bernard's Primary School	Primary School	0	2923
Nosey Parkers - Pond Park Primary School	Primary School	0	8354
Drumachose Primary School	Primary School	0	3053
EA St Joseph's Primary Holland Drive	Primary School	0	5382
Kircubbin Integrated Primary School	Primary School	0	1019
Bronte Primary School and Nursery Unit	Primary School	0	970
The Sunshine Club	Primary School	0	4441
St Joseph's Primary School	Primary School	0	1127
Friends' School Lisburn-Preparatory Department	Primary School	0	2572
Carniny Carers at Carniny Primary School	Primary School	0	3379
Drumahoe Primary School	Primary School	0	1628
NEWTOWNARDS MODEL PRIMARY SCHOOL	Primary School	0	743
Stewartstown Scallywags	Primary School	0	967
Mossley Primary School	Primary School	0	1614
New Row St Patrick's Primary School	Primary School	0	732
LIMAVADY CENTRAL PRIMARY SCHOOL	Primary School	0	961
Moyle Primary School	Primary School	0	962
Castleroe Primary School	Primary School	0	689
The Thompson Primary School	Primary School	0	1912
St Macartan's Primary School 4033007	Primary School	0	801
Templepatrick Primary School	Primary School	0	1889

Figures in £'s

Annex B: “4. Total NICSS expenditure by provider type (e.g. full day care, sessional care, childminders) and by local council area for *each financial year*”

Provider Type	Local Council Area	2024/25	2025/26
Approved Home Childcare (AHC)	Antrim and Newtownabbey	2588	3417
Childminder	Antrim and Newtownabbey	119344	183427
Day Nursery	Antrim and Newtownabbey	635490	1209114
Out of School	Antrim and Newtownabbey	0	36491
Pre-School Playgroup	Antrim and Newtownabbey	18850	22713
Primary School	Antrim and Newtownabbey	0	13273
AHC	Ards and North Down	3130	1345
Childminder	Ards and North Down	132597	188309
Day Nursery	Ards and North Down	759671	1404255
Out of School	Ards and North Down	0	59655
Pre-School Playgroup	Ards and North Down	37397	51839
Primary School	Ards and North Down	0	1762
Childminder	Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon	190636	315179
Creche	Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon	1133	280
Day Nursery	Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon	857408	1692804
Out of School	Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon	0	37093
Pre-School Playgroup	Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon	46593	47502
Primary School	Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon	0	6220
AHC	Belfast	5531	5472
Childminder	Belfast	139550	229117
Creche	Belfast	1784	1138
Day Nursery	Belfast	1461299	2624469
Out of School	Belfast	0	140369
Pre-School Playgroup	Belfast	26493	44029
Primary School	Belfast	0	5382
Childminder	Causeway Coast and Glens	184033	300588
Creche	Causeway Coast and Glens	868	123
Day Nursery	Causeway Coast and Glens	325611	599130
Out of School	Causeway Coast and Glens	0	22568
Pre-School Playgroup	Causeway Coast and Glens	2233	4443
Primary School	Causeway Coast and Glens	0	6435
Childminder	Derry City and Strabane	173181	279095
Creche	Derry City and Strabane	3155	14813
Day Nursery	Derry City and Strabane	326606	593228
Out of School	Derry City and Strabane	0	12267

Pre-School Playgroup	Derry City and Strabane	3061	6959
Primary School	Derry City and Strabane	0	1628
Childminder	Fermanagh and Omagh	127689	221907
Day Nursery	Fermanagh and Omagh	470442	798330
Out of School	Fermanagh and Omagh	0	15235
Pre-School Playgroup	Fermanagh and Omagh	12237	12247
AHC	Lisburn and Castlereagh	942	5313
Childminder	Lisburn and Castlereagh	211230	327248
Creche	Lisburn and Castlereagh	1220	786
Day Nursery	Lisburn and Castlereagh	887891	1672831
Out of School	Lisburn and Castlereagh	2387	98063
Pre-School Playgroup	Lisburn and Castlereagh	16980	17699
Primary School	Lisburn and Castlereagh	0	19172
AHC	Mid and East Antrim	4287	6045
Childminder	Mid and East Antrim	187514	283130
Day Nursery	Mid and East Antrim	341226	621659
Out of School	Mid and East Antrim	0	45804
Pre-School Playgroup	Mid and East Antrim	14140	19731
Primary School	Mid and East Antrim	0	4341
AHC	Mid Ulster	2203	10107
Childminder	Mid Ulster	234394	378365
Day Nursery	Mid Ulster	579251	1109266
Out of School	Mid Ulster	696	33165
Pre-School Playgroup	Mid Ulster	3781	2085
Primary School	Mid Ulster	0	1700
AHC	Newry, Mourne and Down	5428	8220
Childminder	Newry, Mourne and Down	177280	270816
Day Nursery	Newry, Mourne and Down	678764	1306175
Out of School	Newry, Mourne and Down	31972	79894
Pre-School Playgroup	Newry, Mourne and Down	13118	15985
Primary School	Newry, Mourne and Down	0	801
Childminder	Unknown	9982	12909
Out of School	Unknown	726	1713

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