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## **Childcare Survey**

### **Spean Bridge Primary/Nursery**

**Dear Parent/Carer**

The purpose of this survey is to gauge the need for enhanced childcare for parents in the Spean Bridge catchment area. Please answer the following questions as accurately as possible.

**Please note** current Highland Council childcare costs for 3-5 year olds before and after their early learning and childcare entitlement is **£3.80** per hour plus lunch fee of **£2.30**. After school care for school-age children is **£10.10** per daily session (with a late pick up charge of **£3.80** per child). During holidays, a half-day session costs **£16.00** and a full day is **£31.50**.

All Highland Council childcare provisions are registered with the Care Inspectorate so parents and carers can, if eligible, claim up to 70% of the cost of their childcare through Working Tax Credits. Many employers also offer childcare vouchers (salary sacrifice) which can be used to purchase childcare. Activities for children include sports, drama, games, outings, computing and 'chill out' time. A healthy snack is also provided for each child.

The information collected through this survey will show whether there is enough interest to provide enhanced childcare for children attending Spean Bridge primary and nursery.

**Your views are important to us and we should be grateful if you would complete this survey and return it to me via email to [tracy.mcilvar@highland.gov.uk](mailto:tracy.mcilvar@highland.gov.uk) by 25 January 2017.**

Should you have any questions about this questionnaire or enhanced childcare in general, please contact:

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Please complete the following information:

Name:

Address:

Postcode:

**Question 1 – How many children are in your immediate family in the age ranges below?**

Ages of Children	Pregnant	Under 1 year	1 – 3 years	4 – 5 years	6 – 8 years	9 – 11 years	12 – 14 years	Total
Number of children								

**Question 2 – (Please check as appropriate)**

	YES	NO
Do you currently use childcare services (nursery/out of school club/childminder/friends and/or family etc)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Do you currently use after school hours learning or activities (sports and activity clubs based at your child's school e.g. badminton, drama, music, chess, science, computing, etc)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes do these clubs meet your childcare needs?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
What after school activities would you like to see provided for your child?		

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**Question 3 – What type of childcare do you currently use?**

Type of childcare used	Numbers of children using	Type of childcare used	Numbers of children using
Registered childminder		Friend/neighbour	
Unregistered childminder		Out of School Club	
Crèche		Extended family	
Day nursery		Nanny/au pair	
Partner at home		College/work place crèche	
After school hours learning/activities	<i>Please give numbers of children using, and clubs attended</i>		

**Question 4 – If an enhanced provision were to start up in the area, how often would you use the service and for how many children? *Please do not tick – insert number of children the service is required for.***

Days	Number of children	Times required
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday		

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**Question 5 – What if any, are the barriers to you accessing enhanced childcare?**

**THANK YOU**

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