

Devon County Council Children's Centres Consultation

- This consultation will be open from 8 May to 3 July 2024.
- You can respond by completing the feedback form at: <https://www.devon.gov.uk/haveyoursay/consultations/childrens-centre-consultation/>
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Summary

- The model of providing support to families is changing.
- The intention is to move to a universal offer for 0-19 year olds ((25 for Special Educational Needs and Disabilities [SEND] and Care Experienced Young People).
- To do that, we have been listening to parents and carers to get a better understanding of how they have used Children's Centres and what they value most. This has given us a clearer idea of how Family Hubs can be most beneficial to families in future.
- We are proposing a model of delivery, utilising buildings that have previously been used as Children's Centres, to provide a combination of Family Hub centres in each District council area, and outreach hubs in local communities.
- There are 27 children's centres across Devon. This proposal suggests that:
 - five are maintained to use as Family Hubs
 - up to eighteen could potentially be used in an outreach capacity, if partners are open to this arrangement
 - three will be completely passed to partners for alternative use such as childcare.
 - one will close.
- This consultation seeks the views of parents, young people and partners about the intended changes. These will help to inform the design and implementation of the new approach to delivering family support.

Introduction

The council needs to develop services to meet growing demand, while balancing unprecedented financial challenges. Rising demand on council services such as those that keep children, young people, and vulnerable adults safe, combined with higher costs for fuel, delivering council services that keep our communities clean and our infrastructure safe means that balancing our budget has become increasingly difficult over the last few years, exacerbated by the impacts of Covid and the cost-of-living crisis.

We are taking the opportunity to make improvements to the way we interact with our families, to be innovative and develop new ways of working that uses improving technology and meets the needs of an evolving population. We are still dedicated and focused on achieving better services for our children and young people in ways that are efficient, effective and achieving best value for the council. We are making services as streamline as possible and prioritising the services that are the most needed in our communities. However, more work needs to be done through meaningful engagement with service users and key stakeholders, with some difficult decisions needing to be made that could affect some services that our communities use and recognise.

Since 2018, Children's Centres in Devon have provided targeted support to families with children aged 0-8, this support was only available to families who met a certain level of need and was accessed via referral only. During the financial year 2024/25, the current provider will be working with Devon County Council and our partners to develop Family Hubs which will expand support to families with children aged 0-19 (25 with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities [SEND] and Care Experienced Young People). The focus of developing Family Hubs is to improve access to services and improve the connections between families, professionals, and services who work with them. To achieve this, we have reviewed the current Children's Centre buildings. Some of these will be used as Family Hub bases moving forward but some are not suitable as Family Hubs, as a result, alternative arrangements are being proposed. Beyond the 2024/25 financial year, Family Hubs will be reviewed within the funds available, which could result in alternative service provision of the service. Over the medium term the family hub model will continue to be reviewed to ensure the needs of the family's accessing services are being met, that the right services are being brought together and that best value is being achieved.

The table and information below outline the proposed changes to the current Children's Centre buildings and the reason these changes are being proposed. Please complete the online form to have your say: <https://www.devon.gov.uk/haveyoursay/consultations/childrens-centre-consultation/> or contact childrenscommissioningsecure-mailbox@devon.gov.uk.

What's changing?

Children's Centres have been a unique stand-alone service, delivered in Devon, by the current provider, supporting families with children aged 0 to 8 and providing a range of services to help children get a good start in life. Family Hubs will bring more services together and expand this offer to support those with children aged 0 to 19, or up to 25 years old for young people with SEND and who are Care Experienced.

Family Hubs will provide a network of services which will include universal and targeted support, including support from health partners and the voluntary sector. Throughout the transition the provider will work with families to navigate their way to the right services or support for them and will work with the Council and community partners to build services suited to the individual area. Building on and enhancing the support networks which are already in place.

Family Hubs will offer early support to families to help them overcome difficulties and build strong relationships, enabling us to put strong families at the heart of communities, in recognition of how important they are for individuals and families to thrive.

The programme will change the way services are delivered over time as we work to develop the multi-agency network of support available through Family Hubs. Some buildings used by the Children's Centres are already shared with partners, such as midwives and health visitors, so options to bring more services together will be developed, while still making sure the needs of local families are met.

What is a Family Hub and what will it offer?

A Family Hub is a place where families can go (either in person, digitally or via telephone,) to access the support they need to manage the issues they may be experiencing. The hubs will have a network of practitioners and organisations who will come together in local communities with families offering:

- Greater **access to advice and information** linked to a range of services, interventions, and local opportunities.
- Supporting an **early response for families**, which in turn could prevent escalation of need and reduce referrals into specialist and statutory services. Family Hub staff could co-ordinate an Early Help assessment, as part of the wider Early Help offer and support through to specialist and statutory services when needed.
- **Welcoming virtual and physical spaces** which will grow and develop, forming part of the family hub network in your local area, which families can visit or contact to access the support they need. Enabling support to be offered at the point of need, as far as possible. This will include outreach hubs developed alongside those community hubs in existing in areas and created where they don't exist.
- **Supporting families to connect with opportunities in their local communities** supporting needs. Including enabling families to get involved with supporting other families in the communities.
- **Supporting families to navigate pathways** to higher level and specialist intervention which may be needed and keeping in contact with families while they gain access to these pathways.
- Forming **partnerships in communities**, increasing connections between organisations working within the same community.
- **Enabling, growing, and linking opportunities** and activities available in a local community to best support families.
- **Promoting learning and upskilling** local communities to support families. For example, understanding parental wellbeing; early brain development, attachment, and child development; promoting home learning environments and preparation for school.
- **Offering intervention to families in need** of specific support to manage their situation.
- **Ensuring best value** and quality services to families, in partnership with the current community-based offer and within the resources available.

Who could form part of a local family hub network and offer in a local community?

Our intention is to have consistently good services across Devon. However, the network of support services may differ across the diverse areas within Devon, but services may include some of the following, working as part of a hub to ensure families are navigated to the right organisation, or specific intervention to meet their needs. This list is not exclusive and may include many other organisations working in our city, towns, and villages.

- Early Help services.
- Wider early years services and early education support.
- Public Health services.
- Public Health Nursing.
- Midwifery services.
- Partners supporting as part of the Best Start in Life national initiative.
- Charity, voluntary and third sector partners including faith groups offering opportunities for families in their local communities.
- Partners supporting drug, alcohol and domestic abuse or violence support.
- Partners supporting wider community health and wellbeing support for children and young people.
- The Council led Disabled Children's Services.
- Partners supporting delivery of youth services.
- Schools, colleges, and Devon Schools Leadership Services (DSLs).
- Social care services delivered by the Council directly (Integrated Adult Social Care and Children).
- Childcare settings, for example, childminders; nurseries and pre-school settings.
- Partners providing careers and employability services in Devon to children, adults, and families.
- Partners delivering libraries.
- Education support teams.
- District Councils.

- Partners supporting children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities and their families.
- Safeguarding teams, for example, Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub for children and young people (MASH).
- Social prescribing teams, wellbeing co-ordinators, community connectors and builders.

Why consult?

This consultation seeks views from families and professionals on proposed changes to our current Children's Centre buildings and the services we offer within them, as we start our journey towards the development of Family Hubs.

Through our recent engagement, lots of you have told us that services are often difficult to access due to the rurality of Devon, the availability of transport and location of support, for example.

Families have told us that they want to be able to access support in friendly, welcoming, non-judgemental, open, and safe spaces on a drop-in basis, without appointment, criteria or waiting lists and which can be suitable for the whole family. Families would like multi-functional spaces which can support them to meet with their peers, as well as a range of practitioners who are all working together. Spaces where they can access more face-to-face advice, information and support if preferred and which also enable families to learn more about what support is out there and is available locally to them in their communities. Practitioners have told us they would also like to be able to use shared, local, multi-functional spaces with good access to IT and WIFI; which are well connected; affordable; sustainable; friendly, welcoming, and safe spaces supporting relationships with families; and which provide a platform for shared learning and efficient use of resources for all.

The consultation will open on 8th May 2024 and close at midnight on 3rd July 2024.

The move to Family Hubs will be gradual, based on the needs of each community. The buildings we use need to be able to meet the needs of the whole family in a coordinated way, be somewhere we can co-locate services, be easily accessible to families and well used.

We would welcome your thoughts on which Children’s Centres you think would be most suitable to become a Family Hubs, or outreach hub spaces where we can join other services to be more visible in our communities.

Please see a summary of the proposals about the current Children’s Centre buildings in the table below. We will continue to keep the use of buildings under review so that we can expand the offer into other parts of the county as needed, including how we can make use of other community spaces such as halls and libraries.

Given the size of Devon, it is proposed that there will be at least one hub in each district area (ten in total across Devon). These buildings will be places where staff can come together, and families can access support. There will be some meeting rooms and space for staff to come together to learn and develop their skills, as well as some group delivery space.

The outreach hub spaces will provide options for families to access various services and guidance in their own community. These will be linked to existing community services in different locations (such as schools, libraries, community hospitals and community centres) so that families can access services from familiar and trusted spaces that respond to their needs. There may not be always a Family Hub navigator presence in outreach areas, but there will be digital access 24 hours a day and a phone contact during office hours.

Outreach means support can be offered on an “as and when needed” basis in areas where there may not be a “hub” base. Much of the work currently offered by the Childrens Centres are in the family’s own homes, or by using community venues near to the families. With this flexible model the need for a “defined” building is reduced and services can be taken to families, rather than them needing to travel to access them. Services can be offered in places which are meaningful, “known and trusted” by the families and can reduce the need for travel. Devon is a large rural county, with limited public transport options, therefore a flexible model with a combination of face to face, virtual and digital support is essential.

Exeter Locality Family Hub Proposal

It is proposed that the Exeter Family Hub is based at the Chestnut Centre, in Wonford, with outreach hub spaces in many areas across the city including, Westexe, Pinhoe, and West Clyst, Beacon Heath, the city centre and Exminster.

Exeter Locality Children's Centres	Number of parents using the Children's Centre building in the last year (2023)	Proposal for Children's Centre building	Reason for Proposal	What this would mean for parents
Chestnut Children's Centre (Burnthouse Lane Estate) Magnolia Avenue Exeter EX2 6DJ	449 across all Exeter Children's Centres	We are proposing this centre stays as a Family Hub Site.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The centre is already shared with public health nursing, Chestnut nursery, Social Care. • Other services will be invited to use the space for meetings and to welcome families, with hot desk facilities. • There are many community buildings and organisations nearby where links could be made and working with other partners to deliver a wider service to families 	No change to current building location; but increased links to other services in the area and an extension of the service to be accessible to all families with children aged 0-19 (25 with SEND). (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities). Therefore, families would have greater access to support in a variety of ways.

				Families would also be able to access services via outreach plus phone and digital support.
Westexe Children's Centre, Cowick Street, Exeter EX4 1HL		We are proposing that this Centre would be used as an outreach venue.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This Centre is on a school site. Due to the school security, parents are not able to "drop-in" easily. • As the nursery school is aimed at very young children this is not a venue that can accommodate the wider age range of the family hub. • The lack of car parking is an issue for staff. 	<p>All families with children aged 0-19 (25 with SEND) would be able to access support in person, digitally or via telephone. Therefore, families would have greater access to support in a variety of ways.</p> <p>Through this proposal outreach would be delivered from Westexe, on a need led basis in partnership with the school.</p> <p>Access to Children's Centre buildings have previously been on a referral basis only. Families, previously referred, who still need a service, will have continued access from this hub as needed.</p>

<p>Wilmington Childrens Centre, Hill Lane</p> <p>Exeter</p> <p>EX1 3JP</p>		<p>We are proposing to close this Centre.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The building is on a school site and not easily accessible to families, with limited car parking available. • This centre is not cost effective and has high overheads. • Exploration will continue to establish an alternative use for the building if possible. 	<p>All families with children aged 0-19 (25 with SEND) would be able to access support through outreach delivered from a variety of community venues, on a need led basis and in partnership with a variety of community partners.</p> <p>Families would also be able to access services via phone and digital support. Support could also be delivered in family's homes and community buildings.</p>
<p>Flying Start Civic Centre Dixs Field, Exeter</p> <p>EX1 1QA</p>		<p>We are proposing that this Centre would be used as an outreach venue.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Health Nursing deliver from the centre, and the Family Hub could link up with them. However, there are also other potential outreach sites in Exeter town such as the library which has a cafe and meeting rooms to hire. • Links could be made to existing services such as Young Devon and Exeter Foodbank. 	<p>All Families with children aged 0-19 (25 with SEND) would be able to access outreach delivered from a variety of community venues, on a need led basis and in partnership with a variety of community partners.</p> <p>Help could also be accessed via phone, and digital support. Support could also be delivered in family's homes and community buildings.</p>



Mid and East Devon Locality Family Hub Proposal

It is proposed that there will be Family Hubs based in Tiverton, Exmouth and Cranbrook. Outreach hubs are proposed to be developed or built upon through existing community activity, in schools and community sites in CREDITON, CULLOMPTON, HONITON, SIDMOUTH, SEATON and AXMINSTER.

Mid and East Children's Centres	Number of parents using the Children's Centre building in the last year (2023).	Proposal for Children's Centre building	Reason for Proposal	What this would mean for parents
<p>Two Moors</p> <p>Two Moors Primary School, Cowleymoor Road, Tiverton,</p> <p>EX16 6HH</p>	407 across mid Devon Children's Centres	We are proposing to offer the building to the school to provide childcare or SEND provision.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Centre is very small and only accessible via school security, it is not a well-used centre. The school site could be used as an additional outreach venue on a need led basis. A Hub is planned for Tiverton town Centre where many services would be based in one area to make a multi-agency Family Hub, catering for all family's needs. 	<p>Many services for families with children aged 0-19 (25 with SEND) would be based in one area.</p> <p>There would be access to phone and digital services. Support can also be delivered in family's homes and community buildings. Therefore, families would have greater access to support in a variety of ways.</p>

				<p>There would be an opportunity to increase childcare provision in the area.</p> <p>Access to Children’s Centre buildings have previously been on a referral basis only. Families, previously referred, who still need a service, will have continued access from this hub as needed.</p>
<p>Wilcombe</p> <p>Wilcombe Primary School, Lazenby Road, Wilcombe</p> <p>EX16 4AL</p>		<p>We are proposing to offer this centre to the school to provide early years or SEND Provision.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The centre is positioned on the back of the school site and not very accessible, accessed via school security and walking across the playground. • A Hub is planned for Tiverton town Centre where many services would be based in one area to make a multi-agency Family Hub, catering for all family’s needs. 	<p>Many services for families with children aged 0-19 (25 with SEND) would be based in one centre.</p> <p>There would be access to phone and digital services. Support could also be delivered in family’s homes and community buildings. Therefore, families would have greater access to support in a variety of ways.</p> <p>There would be an opportunity to increase Early Years and SEND provision in the area.</p>

<p>Crediton, Old Haywards school, East Street, EX17 3AX</p>		<p>We are proposing that this Centre is used as an outreach venue.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The centre is a very small office base, and a delivery room is hired on an as and when needed basis. • Links are being made between the school and the town council who run youth and some family services in Crediton, with an aim to develop Family Hub Network. 	<p>All Families with children aged 0-19 (25 with SEND) would be able to access services in the town in different venues and with more agencies working together on a needs led basis, plus phone and digital services.</p> <p>Support could also be delivered in family's homes and community buildings. Therefore, families would have greater access to support in a variety of ways.</p> <p>Access to Children's Centre buildings have previously been on a referral basis only. Families, previously referred, who still need a service, will have continued access from this hub as needed.</p>
<p>Cullompton John Tallack Youth centre, Meadow Lane</p>		<p>We are proposing that this centre is</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Hayridge Centre and library offers various delivery spaces. • There is scope to build further relationships with community groups and services in the area 	<p>All Families with children aged 0-19 (25 with SEND) would be able to access services in the town in different venues and with more agencies working together on a</p>

		used as an outreach venue.	which could lead to more links and further delivery options.	<p>needs led basis, plus phone and digital services.</p> <p>Support could also be delivered in family's homes and community buildings. Therefore, families will have greater access to support in a variety of ways.</p> <p>Access to Children's Centre buildings have previously been on a referral basis only. Families, previously referred, who still need a service, will have continued access from this hub as needed.</p>
Exmouth, Moorfield Road, EX8 3QW	684 across all East Devon Children's Centres	We are proposing that this centre is offered for development of a childcare provision.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is a shortage of childcare places in Exmouth and the current Childrens Centre building could increase early years provision to support more families. • Support will be provided through the Kennaway Centre in partnership with the other agencies based there. 	<p>Many services for families with children aged 0-19 (25 with SEND) would be based in one centre.</p> <p>There would be access to phone and digital services. Support could also be delivered in family's homes and community buildings.</p>

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<p>Honiton</p> <p>Littletown Primary School</p> <p>Honiton Bottom Road, Honiton, EX14 2EG</p>		<p>We are proposing that this centre could be offered for development of childcare provision.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Littletown school is distanced from the town centre and not easy access for families from across the town. • Only Public Health nursing and the Childrens Centre use the venue. • Honiton hospital has areas that are underutilised. The midwives and other services deliver from here. • St Micheals Community Care Centre is developing many family services, and the library is also a delivery space. 	<p>All families with children aged 0-19 (25 with SEND) would be able to access services in the town in different venues and with more agencies working together on a needs led basis, plus phone and digital services. Support could also be delivered in family's homes and community buildings.</p> <p>There would be an opportunity to increase childcare provision for the area.</p>
<p>Sidmouth Stowford community Centre</p> <p>Chambers Close, Sidmouth, EX10 9YL</p>		<p>We are proposing that this centre is offered for development of childcare provision.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The centre is not suitable for youth services therefore not a good venue for family hub. • There is a need for childcare in Sidmouth and the centre would make a perfect base to offer childcare wraparound services. 	<p>All families with children aged 0-19 (25 with SEND) would be able to access services in the town in different venues and with more agencies working together on a needs led basis plus phone and digital services.</p>

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are a number of other community venues such as the library where we can develop family hub links. 	<p>Support could also be delivered in family's homes and community buildings. Therefore, families would have greater access to support in a variety of ways.</p> <p>There would be an opportunity to increase childcare provision in the area</p>
<p>Axe Valley Childrens Centre, Trevelyan Building, Seaton, EX12 2AN</p>		<p>We are proposing that this centre is offered to a school for development of SEND provision.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The centre is not used often, it is not easy for families to access, and there are no other agencies delivering from the site. • The building is old and expensive to maintain. • There are discussions taking place around the potential development of a multi-agency community space in the area. 	<p>All Families with children aged 0-19 (25 with SEND) would be able to access more services in the centre of town and link to more agencies through the potential development of a multi-agency community space.</p> <p>There would be options for phone and digital services. Support could also be delivered in family's homes and community buildings.</p> <p>Therefore, families would have greater access to support in a variety of ways.</p>

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South and West Devon Locality Family Hub Proposal

It is proposed that there are family hubs in Newton Abbot, Okehampton and Totnes. Outreach hubs are proposed to be developed or built upon through existing community activity in schools and community sites in Tavistock, Buckfastleigh, Bovey Tracey, Dawlish, Teignmouth, Ashburton, Dartmouth, Ivybridge, Kingsbridge and Sherford.

South and West Children's Centres	Number of parents using the Children's Centre building in the last year (2023).	Proposal for Children's Centre building	Reason for Proposal	What this would mean for parents
Treehouse Highweek school Coronation Road, Newton Abbot, TQ12 1TX	642 across Newton Abbot and Teignbridge Children's Centres	We are proposing that this Centre stays as a Family Hub site.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Family Hub and the school could build a links and invite other agencies to deliver from the school site. • Midwives and public health nursing are already delivering from the centre. • Family Hubs could build links to the youth centre, library and (Youth Enquiry Service) YES services in Newton Abbott. 	<p>The centre would remain on the school and be accessible to all families with children aged 0-19 (25 with SEND), links and outreach would mean more joined- up services could be delivered across the town.</p> <p>There would be options for phone and digital services. Support could also be delivered in family's homes and community buildings.</p>

				Therefore, families would have greater access to support in a variety of ways
Moors Edge St Catherines School, Musket Road, Heathfield, Newton Abbot, TQ12 6SB		We propose that this centre is offered to the school to develop early years and SEND support.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The centre is very small. • Midwives and Public Health Nursing deliver from here. • There is an option to share space with the school to continue to offer outreach from the site. • Space is available for group delivery from Bovey Tracey Library and various community venues. 	<p>All families with children aged 0-19 (25 with SEND) would be able to access support through outreach delivered from St Catherine’s School and community venues on a needs led basis plus phone and digital services.</p> <p>Support could also be delivered in family’s homes and other community buildings.</p> <p>Therefore, families would have greater access to support in a variety of ways.</p> <p>Access to Children’s Centre buildings have previously been on a referral basis only. Families, previously referred, who still need a</p>

				service, will have continued access from this hub as needed.
Teignmouth hospital Mill lane, Teignmouth, TQ14 9BQ		We are proposing to continue to use this centre on an outreach basis.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Due to the plans to redevelop the hospital site the future of this centre is uncertain. • There are various community venues such as the library, which could be potential alternative delivery spaces. Work will be ongoing to develop a Family Hub network in Teignmouth over the year. 	<p>All families with children aged 0-19 (25 with SEND) would be able to access outreach which would be delivered to Teignmouth on a need led basis. plus, phone and digital services. Support could also be delivered in family's homes and community buildings. Therefore, families would have greater access to support in a variety of ways.</p> <p>Access to Children's Centre buildings have previously been on a referral basis only. Families, previously referred, who still need a</p>

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<p>Totnes Childrens Centre</p> <p>St Johns School</p> <p>Parkers Way, Totnes TQ9 5TZ</p>	<p>370 across South Hams Children's Centres</p>	<p>We are proposing this centre is kept as a Hub</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is already a good range of services working together from this building. 	<p>All families with children aged 0-19 (25 with SEND) would be able to access support from various agencies in one place.</p> <p>Support could also be delivered via, phone and digital services, in family's homes and community buildings. Therefore, families would have more choice of support in a variety of ways.</p>

<p>South Brent Primary School, Totnes Road, South Brent, TQ10 9JN</p>		<p>We propose the centre is offered to the school for the development of Early Years provision.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The current centre is not used. • South Brent School can provide rooms for Family Hub delivery on an as and when needed basis. • Ivybridge has a great level of need and higher population than South Brent. • Delivery can be made from the Young Devon building and from the library in the Watermark centre in Ivybridge as well as community venues on an as and when needed basis 	<p>All families with children aged 0-19 (25 with SEND) would be able to access outreach support from the Totnes Hub, plus phone and digital services. Support could also be delivered in family's homes and community buildings. Access to Children's Centre buildings have previously been on a referral basis only. Families, previously referred, who still need a service, will have continued access from this hub as needed.</p> <p>There is the opportunity to increase Early Years and SEND provision in the area.</p>
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<p>Dartmouth Childrens Centre</p> <p>Milton Lane</p> <p>Dartmouth</p> <p>TQ6 9HW</p>		<p>We propose the centre is offered to the school for the continued development of early years and SEND support.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The centre is on a school site and occupies the first floor, with a full day care nursery downstairs. • The centre is underutilised, • The Flavel Centre provides library space and community space in the town centre. • Townstall Community Hall offers many community sessions and the foodbank. • The Health and Wellbeing centre houses Dartmouth caring and PHN. 	<p>All families with children aged 0-19 (25 with SEND) would be able to access outreach support within Dartmouth, plus phone and digital services. Support could also be delivered in family's homes and community buildings. Therefore, Families would have greater access to support in a variety of ways.</p>
<p>Hatherleigh Childrens Centre.</p> <p>Hatherleigh Community Centre</p> <p>Bowling Green Lane, Hatherleigh, EX20 3HB</p>	<p>304 across West Devon Children's Centres</p>	<p>We are proposing that this centre is offered for the expansion and development of childcare in the area with some outreach being provided via a smaller area on this site.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The centre is only used a couple of times a week. • There is a need for baby care nursery in the town, • There are plans to develop a community hub in Okehampton Hospital and Family Hubs will be able to link to this 	<p>All families with children aged 0-19 (25 with SEND) would be able to access outreach support in this area plus phone and digital services. Support could also be delivered in family's homes and community buildings.</p> <p>Therefore, families would have greater access to support in a variety of ways.</p>

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<p>Tavyside Health Centre, Abbey Rise, Whitchurch Road, Tavistock, PL19 9BB</p>		<p>We are proposing that the centre is offered for the expansion and development of childcare.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The building has very poor IT services and WIFI links. • PHN have moved to Abbey Rise which is the DCC building across the car park from the childrens centre, many other agencies work from this centre. Therefore, better connected services to develop the Family Hub Network. • There is a shortage of childcare spaces in the town. • There are plans to develop a community hub in Okehampton 	<p>All families with children aged 0-19 (25 with SEND) would be able to access outreach support in this area plus phone and digital services. Support could also be delivered in family’s homes and community buildings. Therefore, families would have greater access to support in a variety of ways.</p> <p>There would be an opportunity to increase childcare provision in the area</p>

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North Devon and Torrridge Locality Family Hub Proposal

It is proposed that there will be family hubs based in Barnstable, Ilfracombe, and Bideford. Outreach hubs are proposed to be developed or built upon through existing community activity in schools and community sites in Lynton, Braunton, South Molton, Holsworthy and Torrington.

North Devon and Torrridge Children's Centres	Number of parents using the Children's Centre building in the last year (2023).	Proposal for Children's Centre building	Reason for Proposal	What this would mean for parents
Yeo Valley 5, Richmond Walk, Barnstaple EX32 7HB	480 across Barnstaple Children's Centres	We are proposing that this Centre is kept by the school, and a Hub is developed in Barnstaple town centre.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This centre is on a school site which limits access during school holidays. • Other venues are available in the town. • There is also opportunity to link with the new Community Hub being developed in Green Lanes shopping centre 	<p>Many services for families with children aged 0-19 (25 with SEND) would be based in the centre of town. Outreach services could still be delivered from the school site on an as and when basis.</p> <p>Families could access support from the Barnstaple Hub at Taw View, the Library and potentially the new Community Hub at Green Lanes Shopping Centre which are all easily accessible from this area.</p>

				<p>There would be access to phone and digital services. Support could also be delivered in family's homes and community buildings. Therefore, families would have greater access to support in a variety of ways.</p>
<p>Sticklepath</p> <p>Sticklepath Primary School, Woodville Estate, Barnstaple EX31 2HH</p>		<p>We are proposing that this centre is offered to the school for the development of Early Years provision with the option for some outreach delivery.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Centre is on the school site and accessed via school security. • The school wants to expand early years provision. • There are several partner agencies in Sticklepath, e.g., PHN and midwives, these could continue to use the space to meet with families through improved coordination with the school. 	<p>All families with children aged 0-19 (25 with SEND) would be able to access outreach services delivered from the school site on an as and when basis.</p> <p>Families could access support from the Barnstaple Hub at Taw View, the Library and potentially the new Community Hub at Green Lanes Shopping Centre which are all easily accessible from this area.</p> <p>There would be access to phone and digital services. Support could also be delivered in family's homes and community buildings. Therefore, families would have greater access to support in a variety of ways.</p> <p>Access to Children's Centre buildings have previously been on a referral basis</p>

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<p>Forches</p> <p>Eden Park Academy Forches Avenue</p> <p>EX32 8EF</p>		<p>We are proposing that this Centre is offered to the community as a potential multi-agency community space.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The building has limited use by Childrens Centre service. • There are discussions taking place around the potential development of a multi-agency community space in the area. 	<p>Many services for families with children aged 0-19 (25 with SEND) would be able to access outreach support from this space in addition to this, families could access support from the Barnstaple Hub at Taw View, the Library and potentially the new Community Hub at Green Lanes Shopping Centre which are all easily accessible from this area.</p> <p>There would be access to phone and digital services. Support could also be delivered in family's homes and community buildings. Therefore, families would have greater access to support in a variety of ways.</p> <p>Access to Children's Centre buildings have previously been on a referral basis only. Families, previously referred, who still need a service, will have continued access from this hub as needed.</p>

<p>Ilfracombe My Start Children's Centre, Ilfracombe EX34 8JL</p>	<p>242 parents accessed this Centre</p>	<p>We are proposing to keep this Centre as a Hub.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is a high level of need in Ilfracombe and limited buildings for community space. • PHN will be moving into the centre, and it is hoped that other services will also join. • Potential opportunity for expanding the building 	<p>Many services for families with children aged 0-19 (25 with SEND) would be based in one centre.</p> <p>Families could continue to access services in the centre they already know.</p> <p>There would be access to phone and digital services. Support could also be delivered in family's homes and community buildings. Therefore, families would have greater access to support in a variety of ways.</p>
<p>Bideford Bay Children's Centre Victoria Park BIDEFORD EX39 2QS</p>	<p>351 across Torridge children's Centres</p>	<p>We are proposing to keep this building as a Hub.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are a lot of partner agencies already working from the centre. These would be extended to provide a family hub and link many services in the town in one venue. 	<p>Many services for families with children aged 0-19 (25 with SEND) would be based in one centre.</p> <p>There would be access to phone and digital services. Support could also be delivered in family's homes and community buildings. Therefore, families would have greater access to support in a variety of ways.</p>

<p>Holsworthy Great Oak Meadow, Holsworthy EX22 6EX</p>		<p>We are proposing this centre is offered to the school for the development of childcare or early years provision.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is a high need for childcare in the town. • We are working with the NHS to build a base in the hospital with PHN, Midwives already deliver from the hospital. • Whilst the centre was closed for six months for repairs, other venues were successfully used within the town to continue to provide services. 	<p>All families with children aged 0-19 (25 with SEND) would be able to access outreach support in Holsworthy plus phone and digital services. Support could also be delivered in family's homes and community buildings. There would be an opportunity to increase childcare provision in the area.</p>
<p>Torrington Bluecoat School Borough Road Torrington EX38 7NU</p>		<p>We are proposing that this centre is offered to the school for the development of childcare or early years provision.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The school site has been hosting the childrens services on site for many years. • The school can provide delivery space on an as and when basis in the Early Excellence Centre on the school site. • There will be more access to services for families in the town. • The hospital could be used as an additional delivery base and Midwives are already delivering from here. 	<p>All families with children aged 0-19 (25 with SEND) would be able to access outreach support in Torridge from the school and hospital sites; plus, phone and digital services.</p> <p>Support could also be delivered in family's homes and community buildings. Therefore, families would have greater access to support in a variety of ways.</p> <p>There would be an opportunity to increase childcare provision in the area.</p>