

West Aberdeenshire

Childcare Constituency profile

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Background



5600

children aged 0-4



11400

children aged 5-14



6%

of children lived in poverty

Childcare costs

**0% - 5%
higher**

than regional average
childcare costs



Average prices in

Scotland

£111.13

weekly charge for a
part-time nursery place
for a child under two

£4.10

hourly charge for
childminders

£53.21

weekly charge for
after-school clubs

£120.61

weekly charge for
holiday clubs

Gaps in provision

The most acute gap in provision is for after-school and holiday childcare. Aberdeenshire is a sparsely populated area, where private and voluntary sector nurseries, clubs and pre-schools may struggle to break even. It can be particularly challenging to ensure that there is sufficient

Free early education

93.2%

of 3 and 4 year
olds registered for
free early
education

96.6%

registration rate
in Scotland



88.7%

of 3 and 4 year olds
in early education
with regular access
to a GTCS
registered teacher

70.1%

access rate to a
GTCS registered
teacher for 3
and 4 year olds
in Scotland

Overall grade and comment

This local authority has increased the amount of after-school care provided in schools, but has much less holiday and after-school provision than many local authorities in Scotland.

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