

Background



5800

children aged 0-4



10200

children aged 5-14



37%

of children lived in poverty

Childcare costs

**0% - 5%
lower**

than regional average
childcare costs



Average prices in

North West

£102.44

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

£3.55

hourly charge for
childminders

£45.80

weekly charge for
after-school clubs

£107.08

weekly charge for
holiday clubs

Gaps in provision

There is a shortage of places for 3 and 4 year olds in some areas, as well as a lack of places in after-school clubs.

Free early education

54%

take up rate for
two year olds

58%

national take up
rate for two
year olds



99%

take up rate for
three and four
year olds

96%

national take up
rate for three
and four year

Overall grade and comment

The local authority needs to make sure that more two year olds benefit from high quality early education

