

Early Years

Process for Pathways to Registration

This process will be followed for settings on Pathways to Registration:

Prospective provider to satisfy all the required steps on the '[Starting a Childcare Business Checklist](#)' (accessible from the Early Years Website).

Once complete, prospective provider makes contact with the Early Years team.



1 x Early Years support meeting (at Loxley House or via Microsoft Teams).



1 x Early Years site visit (or virtual show-around) at a point to be agreed between Early Years and prospective provider (usually approximately 2 week prior to Ofsted registration visit).



Ofsted Registration visit



Ofsted registration approved

- Setting moves to newly registered process

If setting wishes to register for Early Years Funding:

- Local Funding Guidance discussed including funding processes
- Provider Agreement signed



Ofsted registration refused

- Setting to address actions from Ofsted
- Early Years to provide telephone and email support if required

