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Snapdragons Nursery Travel Plan

1. Introduction

Snapdragons Nursery, Cribbs Causeway is due to open September 2020. We will be registered for approximately 175 children, providing daycare for children between the ages of three months and five years old.

2. Nursery Proposal

The opening hours of the nursery will be 7.30 – 6.30 all year round except for the period between Christmas and New Year and weekends. Parents arrive and leave at different times each day as we have children attending sessions as well as a full day.

3. Chart showing arrival and departure times

The following figures are estimated using current statistics collected from our existing settings, on the busiest day of the week for us – Wednesday.

Estimated number of children arriving

	07:30	08:00	08:30	09:00
Arriving	14	52	61	48

Estimated number of children departing

	15:00	16:30	17:00	18:00
Departing	40	38	52	45

Based upon figures at our existing sites and our estimations of this new location, we would expect to see around 60% of our staff live in the local area, with 50% of them using car sharing, public transport or walking / cycling to get to work.

We would also expect to find the majority of families who join us live in the local area, particularly with the new housing developments, whom we would then anticipate walking to the nursery to drop-off and collect their children.

We will have approximately 30 members of staff on site at any one time, with 50% arriving at 07:30/08:00 and 50% arriving at 09:00. Likewise, at the end of the day, 50% would depart at

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16:30 / 17:00 and the remaining 50% would depart at 18:00. Staff and parents will sign up to the travel plan. There are 30 parking spaces and 1 disabled parking space.

Staff recruitment and inductions include travel options to the nursery, such as car sharing, public transport, cycling and walking. We try to recruit staff from the local area as much as possible to avoid travel issues and offer staff incentives for “leaving the car at home”.

The nursery provides a secure buggy shed for all parents to store their buggies and bicycle seats throughout the day. There is also a place for bikes for parents who wish to continue their journey on public transport. There are parking spaces for staff cars, an area to place their bikes and car spaces for parents to drop off and collect.

Parents and staff will be required to sign up to a safer parking agreement.

4. Access to the nursery by car

Although the nursery is in a residential area, we are aware of congestion that could be caused at peak times and parents would be encouraged to park on site, if not using public transport or walking/cycling.

5. Access to the nursery by public transport

The nursery will be well served by established public transport links at the nearby shopping mall which is only a few minutes’ walk from the nursery site. It is possible to travel to Cribbs Causeway from a range of local and regional destinations.

6. Access to the nursery by bicycle

Cycling to and from the nursery is actively encouraged for both staff and parents. There are facilities at the nursery so people can get changed, if necessary.

7. Access to the nursery by foot

All children, staff and visitors are able to walk to and from the nursery. All the children within the nursery have access to daily walks where staff talk to them about why it is healthy for us to walk and not always use the car. Staff are actively encouraged to walk, cycle, lift share or use public transport. This is discussed during recruitment.

8. Aims and objectives of our travel plan

The aim of our travel plan is to reduce traffic, noise, pollution and emissions in and around the nursery. We also wish to avoid potential traffic and parking congestions in the nursery’s

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vicinity. We are fully committed to working with our parents, staff and the local community to ensure safe parking and safe travelling to and from the nursery. We acknowledge any concerns and make every effort to address those concerns. We regularly encourage responsible parking and travel to and from nursery via our website. This travel plan targets the 3 main user groups of the nursery: the children/parents, the staff and visitors.

9. Aims, objectives, target and monitoring of the travel plan

The proposals are promoted to children/parents, staff and visitors by the manager, who is also the travel plan co-ordinator. The manager will monitor the plan annually and collect data as required and liaise with the local authority, if necessary.

10. Promotion of the travel plan

The travel plan aims to reduce and maintain low levels of traffic for the 3 main user groups: children/parents, staff, visitors. The travel plan will be promoted around the nursery. The children are involved by making them more aware of the benefits of walking. Copies of the plan are made available on request. Copies of cycle routes, bus routes and timetables are also available on request. This plan is also available on our website. All information will be promoted to nursery staff through staff inductions. Travel events such as National Bike Week will also be promoted.

11. Summary

The travel plan aims to reduce the car-based impact on the local road network. Bus services, cycling, walking and car sharing is all promoted to achieve this objective. We will continue to carry out surveys as our numbers increase and targets to reduce car-based trips will be set. We will also note any additional issues that might occur and determine how we can address these via an action plan.

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