

Schools Funding Forum 28th April 2016 ITEM 7

Subject Heading:

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Childcare free entitlement: delivery model – Government consultation

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SUMMARY

This report is for the Schools Funding Forum to consider a response to the DFE consultation: Childcare free entitlement: delivery model.

RECOMMENDATIONS

To consider a response to the consultation.

REPORT DETAIL

On 3rd April 2016, the DFE launched a consultation: Childcare free entitlement: delivery model. It is the first stage of a two stage consultation with a deadline for responses of 6th June.

The consultation document can be found in the following links: <u>https://consult.education.gov.uk/early-years-funding/childcare-free-entitlement</u>

This consultation seeks views on some of the key elements of the operation and delivery of the 30 hour extended free entitlement. This includes how the entitlement will be delivered, and how it will meet and be responsive to the needs of working parents.

The next meeting of the Early Years Provider Reference Group at which this consultation will be discussed is on 10th May.

Copies of the consultation paper will be available at the meeting.