# **Early Years**

# **Process for Pathways to Registration**

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

#### STEP 1

Prospective provider to satisfy all the required steps on the '<u>Starting a Childcare Business Checklist</u>' (accessible from the Early Years Website).

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



#### STEP 2

1 x Early Years support meeting (at Loxley House or via Microsoft Teams). (STEP 2 AND 3 ARE INTERCHANGEABLE)



### STEP 3

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).

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## **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
- Signpost to Portal training
- DOP paperwork administered
- Provider Agreement issued and signed



## Ofsted registration refused

- If Ofsted refuse registration, providers can appeal: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/public-ations/how-to-appeal-quidance-for-those-registered-as-or-applying-to-be-a-childminder-or-a-childcare-provider">https://www.gov.uk/government/public-ations/how-to-appeal-quidance-for-those-registered-as-or-applying-to-be-a-childminder-or-a-childcare-provider</a>
- Setting to address actions from Ofsted
- Early Years to provide telephone and email support if required
- Targeted support can be negotiated

