

London Borough of Lambeth Childcare Sufficiency Assessment

This is a 2008/2009 CSA refresh report.

It refreshes some of the data from the 2007 CSA comprehensive report*

**The next comprehensive Childcare Sufficiency Assessment is
due in April 2011**

*Where new data is available

London Borough of Lambeth Childcare Sufficiency Assessment (Updated 2008)

Introduction

Local Authorities have a legal duty under the Childcare Act 2006 to undertake a study of the local childcare market every 3 years. London Borough of Lambeth undertook this process in 2007 and produced a Childcare Sufficiency Assessment (CSA).

The Childcare Sufficiency Assessment (CSA) aims to assist the Local Authority to better understand and manage the local childcare market to enable parents to work or undertake education and training. It does this by mapping the demand of childcare against what is currently available. The focus of the report is the private, voluntary and independent childcare providers for children aged 0-14 years, and up to 18 year for children with a disability, as well as nursery education provision for 3 and 4 year olds, where local authorities have the duty to provide 15 hours free nursery education.

This Childcare Sufficiency Assessment (CSA) Report 2008 provides updated information about childcare sufficiency in Lambeth. It uses updated sources of information obtained from the Families Information Service, 2001 Census, and the Office for National Statistics to provide information about supply and demand of childcare in 2008, and compares the information found in 2007 to draw conclusions about gaps that have been met, gaps that remain and new gaps that have emerged.

The report also links findings to the CSA Action Plan 2007-2008 that was developed as an outcome to the CSA 2007 to ensure the actions prioritised are effective in addressing identified gaps in the childcare market.

The report is a summary of key findings grouped into the following sections:

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South West Locality: [Clapham Town](#), [Clapham Common](#), [Thornton](#), [Streatham Hill](#), [St Leonard's](#), [Streatham Wells](#) and [Streatham South](#) wards

Section 1: Key Messages

About Lambeth

- Lambeth has 51,594 children and young people aged 0-14 years, representing 18% of all Lambeth residents (285, 580)
- There are large numbers of children and young people in the south west and south east localities of the Borough
- Lambeth has a higher overall level of deprivation than in 2004, and is now the 5th most deprived borough in London, with clusters of affluence and severe deprivation throughout the wards
- The population is ethnically diverse with large concentrations of Black Minority Ethnic (BME), Asian and European residents in some wards

About Lambeth's Childcare Provision

- The borough has wide provision of childcare for all age groups
- In 2008 there are 13% more childcare places for the 0-4 age group than in 2007
- The spread of places is uneven across the Borough, and in particular an undersupply of places for 0-2 year olds in the South West and South East of the borough
- Overall there are more vacancies in 2008 than in 2007, from 1,336 vacancies in 2007 to 1,566 in 2008, an increase of 15%
- Costs of childcare are unevenly spread across the borough. The South West locality has some of the most expensive PVI childcare costs, particularly in Clapham Common and Thornton wards. Yet the most expensive costs in the childminder sector are found in Thurlow Park and Prince's wards, which are located in the South East and North localities respectively)

It is clear that there is scope to improve childcare sufficiency across the Borough including:

- Ensuring better allocation of places to areas of highest demand, particularly for 0-2 year old places
- Exploring reasons for high vacancy rates in comparison to relative availability of places in the 0-4 year old provision, to ensure parents needs in accessing childcare are met
- Further examination of the population and needs of children with disabilities, and the current available provision for children with disabilities
- Ensuring equitable childcare costs across the Borough
- Increasing access by families on low incomes, lone parents and those on benefits to financial initiatives that will assist them to access childcare such as the free entitlement for 2, 3 and 4 years olds and the child care element of working tax credit for working parents
- Further examination of childcare provision for children over 5 years, to ensure demand for this sector is being addressed

Section 2: Indicators of Childcare Demand

Population

- Lambeth's population of adults and children has increased by 12331 people from 2007, with a total of 285,580 people in 2008
- Coldharbour ward has the largest number of adults and children of all Lambeth wards and Bishop's ward the smallest number

Table 1: 0-4 population by ward

	Age	0	1	2	Total 0-2	3	4	Total 3-4	Total 0-4
LAMBETH	285,580	4,186	4,512	4,189	12,887	3,846	3,812	7,658	20,545
Bishop's	9,749	86	93	95	274	92	88	180	454
Brixton Hill	13,487	221	224	203	648	181	176	357	1,005
Clapham Common	13,388	208	196	174	578	150	147	297	875
Clapham Town	14,296	191	192	179	562	157	169	326	888
Coldharbour	15,678	291	307	302	900	283	276	559	1,459
Ferndale	14,039	212	198	168	578	140	146	286	864
Gipsy Hill	14,377	222	217	194	633	182	177	359	992
Herne Hill	12,417	231	230	215	676	199	191	390	1,066
Knight's Hill	14,415	230	251	251	732	246	261	507	1,239
Larkhall	15,128	276	271	246	793	224	216	440	1,233
Oval	13,558	204	198	178	580	156	158	314	894
Prince's	12,379	183	194	193	570	184	180	364	934
St. Leonard's	13,167	186	172	157	515	142	139	281	796
Stockwell	14,295	257	265	259	781	243	253	496	1,277
Streatham Hill	14,095	220	212	188	620	166	167	333	953
Streatham South	14,143	178	185	170	533	169	163	332	865
Streatham Wells	13,459	241	225	183	649	158	147	305	954
Thornton	13,589	218	226	208	652	201	189	390	1,042
Thurlow Park	12,008	96	172	153	421	125	115	240	661
Tulse Hill	13,852	115	238	229	582	221	221	442	1,024
Vassall	14,062	120	246	244	610	227	233	460	1,070

GLA 2007 Round ward population projections for 2008

Overall population 0-4 years:

- There are 20,545 0-4 year olds in Lambeth, representing 8% of the total Lambeth population
- Largest numbers of 0-4's are found in Coldharbour, Stockwell, Knights Hill and Larkhall wards in this order. This data matches population data of 2007 except Prince's ward no longer has one of the largest 0-4 populations
- Smallest numbers of 0-4's are in Bishop's, Thurlow Park and St Leonard's wards in this order

Population 0-2 years:

- There 12,887 0-2 year olds in Lambeth, representing 63% of the total 0-4 population
- Largest numbers of 0-2's are found in Coldharbour, Larkhall, Stockwell and Knights Hill wards, in this order
- Smallest numbers of 0-2's are found in Bishop's, Thurlow Park and St Leonard's wards, in this order

Population 3-4 years:

- There are 7,658 3-4 year olds in Lambeth, which represents 38% of the total 0-4 population
- Largest numbers of 3-4 year olds are found in Coldharbour, Knights Hill, Stockwell and Vassall wards, in this order
- Smallest numbers of 3-4 year olds are found in Bishop's, Thurlow Park, and St Leonard's wards, in this order

Table 2: 5-14 population by ward

	Total 5-9	Total 10-14
LAMBETH	16,829	14,220
Bishop's	474	441
Brixton Hill	710	592
Clapham Common	638	522
Clapham Town	826	693
Coldharbour	1,197	1,105
Ferndale	610	529
Gipsy Hill	805	833
Herne Hill	760	693
Knight's Hill	1,103	836
Larkhall	891	797
Oval	640	570
Prince's	759	641
St. Leonard's	471	357
Stockwell	1,176	951
Streatham Hill	717	604
Streatham South	733	758
Streatham Wells	524	504
Thornton	877	739
Thurlow Park	494	516
Tulse Hill	929	804
Vassall	985	744

GLA 2007 Round ward population projections for 2008

Population 5-9 years:

- There are 16,829 children 5-9 years in Lambeth
- Largest numbers of 5-9 year olds are found in Coldharbour, Stockwell, Knight's Hill and Vassall wards, in this order
- Smallest numbers of 5-9 year olds are found in St Leonard's, Bishop's and Thurlow Park wards, in this order

Population 10-14 years:

- There are 14,220 10-14 year olds in Lambeth
- Largest numbers of 10-14 year olds are found in Coldharbour, Stockwell, Knight's Hill and Gipsy Hill wards, in this order
- Smallest numbers of 10-14 year olds are found in St Leonard's, Bishop's, Streatham Wells and Thurlow Park wards, in this order

What does this tell us about demand for childcare?

- The spread of children aged 0-14 years across the borough is similar from 2007 to 2008, indicating demand for childcare in each ward in 2008 will be similar to demand for childcare in each ward from 2007
- Demand for childcare provision for 0-14 year olds is likely to be highest in the south east of the Borough where there are the largest numbers of children 0-14 years
- Some wards have high numbers of children in certain age groups. For example Vassall ward has one of the highest number of 3 and 4 year old children, but not a high number of children 0-4 years compared to other wards. This indicates some wards may have higher demand for places for certain age groups

Children with Disabilities (0-18 years)

Key facts:

- There is currently no comprehensive data available in Lambeth to gauge accurate numbers of children with disabilities in Lambeth.
- ICOUNT Register of Disabled Children 2008 shows there are currently 658 children 0-18 years on the ICOUNT register. This is an increase of 57 children from 2007
- Largest numbers of children with disabilities 0-18 years are found in Coldharbour, Gipsy Hill, Larkhall, Streatham South, Tulse Hill and Vassall wards, in this order
- Brixton Hill, Coldharbour, Gipsy Hill, Streatham South and Tulse Hill wards have the largest percentage of children with disabilities in proportion to all children 0-18 in those wards
- Examining prevalence of children with disabilities across age groups we find that the largest number of children with disabilities were in the 15-19 year age group, followed by the 10-14 year age group
- The most prevalent types of disability registered on the ICOUNT register were moderate/severe learning disability, communication difficulties and moderate/severe physical disability.

What does the data tell us about demand for childcare?

- 2008 and 2007 data show similar results in terms of wards with the largest number of children with a disability
- ICOUNT findings indicate the demand for childcare suitable for children with a disability is likely to be higher in the south east and south west of the borough, where more children on the ICOUNT Disability Register currently live
- Predominance of 10-19 year age group of children on ICOUNT register suggest out of school hours care is the most likely type of childcare in need for children with a disability
- Childcare provision needs to be able to cater for all types of disability, particularly for those with moderate/severe learning disability, communication difficulties and moderate/severe physical disability.
- There is limited data available, therefore the population of children with a disability in Lambeth is likely much higher and demand much stronger.

Ethnicity

Key facts:

- Ethnicity data from 2007 to 2008 show consistency in terms of the spread of diverse population groups across the borough
- ONS 2001 census data of all Lambeth population and Schools census data 2008 of all Lambeth school students show the largest ethnic population groups are White British, Black African and Black Caribbean.

2001 Census data shows:

- The largest numbers of White British residents are located in Clapham Common, Clapham Town and Thurlow Park wards
- Coldharbour, Stockwell, Vassall, Larkhall and St Leonard's wards have the largest numbers of residents from a Black African background
- Coldharbour, Vassall, Brixton Hill, Ferndale and Tulse Hill wards have the largest number of Black Caribbean residents
- There are above Lambeth average numbers of Indian ethnic backgrounds in Streatham South and St Leonard's wards

2008 PCT Live Birth data shows:

- Herne Hill ward has the largest numbers of White British children aged 0-14 years, followed by Thurlow Park ward
- The largest number of children 0-14 years from a Black African and Black Caribbean background are in Coldharbour ward
- There is a large number of 0-14 year olds from a white European background in Stockwell, Ferndale and Oval wards, with the majority of these children from a Portuguese background
- The wards with the largest number of children 0-14 years from a Bangladeshi background are Bishop's, Larkhall and Oval wards

What does the data tell us about demand for childcare?

- Uptake of childcare is likely to be affected by the clusters of ethnic groups across the Borough
- Ethnically diverse populations exist across the Borough therefore childcare provision borough wide needs to cater for these population groups

Family Structure

Census 2001 facts:

- Lambeth has a smaller number of married couples with dependent children households than the London average (11% and 17% respectively)
- Lambeth has a larger number of lone parents with dependent children households than the London average (12% and 9% respectively)
- The wards with the largest numbers of married couples with dependent children are Streatham South, Clapham Common and Thurlow Park wards, in this order
- The wards with the largest numbers of cohabiting couples with dependent children are Gypsy Hill, Coldharbour, Tulse Hill and Herne Hill wards, in this order
- The wards with the largest numbers of lone parent households with dependent children are Coldharbour, Stockwell, Vassall and Tulse Hill wards. Thornton, Larkhall, Knights Hill and Gypsy Hill wards are also all above the Lambeth average
- Nineteen of Lambeth's 21 wards have numbers above the London average of lone parent households with dependent children

What does this tell us about demand for childcare?

- Wards with large number of families with dependent children will likely have a higher demand for childcare provision, particularly in the south of the borough
- The large number of lone parent households with dependent children may be an indicator for both affordable childcare and childcare that is flexible to meet their needs as a lone parent

Economic activity

Nomis Labour Market Profile 2008 data shows:

- The number of people participating in economic activity in Lambeth is above the London average (78.1% and 75.2% respectively)
- Of those people that did work, the largest number of full time employees were found in Clapham Common, Clapham Town, St Leonard's, Streatham Wells and Thornton wards, in that order
- The wards with the largest number of part time workers were Coldharbour, Gipsy Hill, Knight's Hill, Streatham South, Vassall and Prince's wards, in that order

Benefits claimants (ONS Jobcentre and GLA estimates 2008) data shows:

- The number of benefits claimants in Lambeth is higher than the Inner London and London averages (5.5%, 5.5% and 4.4% respectively)
- The largest numbers unemployment related benefit claimants are in Coldharbour ward with almost double the Lambeth average (10.4% and 5.5% respectively)
- Wards with higher than the Lambeth average persons on benefits claimants are Coldharbour, Vassall, Tulse Hill, Herne Hill, Stockwell, Prince's, Ferndale and Brixton Hill wards, in that order
- Clapham Common ward had the least number of benefit claimant counts, followed by Thurlow Park ward

Table 3: Benefits Claimant counts and rates by wards in Lambeth

	Persons (number)	Persons (%)
Bishop's	220	4.5
Brixton Hill	425	5.8
Clapham Common	230	2.9
Clapham Town	325	4.1
Coldharbour	735	10.4
Ferndale	475	5.8
Gipsy Hill	360	4.8
Herne Hill	420	6.6
Knight's Hill	385	5.7
Larkhall	440	5.6
Oval	325	4.4
Prince's	380	6.2
St. Leonard's	380	4.8
Stockwell	440	6.5
Streatham Hill	340	4.4
Streatham South	370	5.2
Streatham Wells	395	4.9
Thornton	325	4.6
Thurlow Park	260	3.8
Tulse Hill	535	7.7
Vassall	505	7.8
Lambeth	8,275	5.5

Office for National Statistics (Jobcentre Plus administrative system) & GLA estimates 2008

What does this tell us about demand for childcare?

- 2008 and 2007 data shows a similar spread of benefit claimants across the borough
- Wards in the south west of the borough may require greater provision of full time childcare places to cater for a larger number of full time workers
- The large numbers of part time workers in the south east and north localities indicates demand for more part time and flexible provision to cater for parents who work for shorter periods of the day or work irregular hours
- The south east of the borough may require more flexible childcare provision to cater to parents who may wish to attend training or education opportunities, or who need irregular childcare to attend interviews or other appointments to help them access work

Working Tax Credit

HMRC 2006 data shows:

- The take up of the childcare element of Working Tax Credit is high in Lambeth (25%) compared to the national average (14%)
- The take up rate in all wards is at least equivalent to or exceeds the national average
- Coldharbour, Vassall, Knight's Hill, Brixton Hill and Tulse Hill wards had the largest numbers of families benefiting from the child care element of Working Tax Credit, in this order
- Clapham Common, Bishop's and St Leonard's wards had the least numbers of families benefiting from the child care element of working tax credit, in this order

Household Income

Paycheck Income data 2008 shows:

- The distribution of household income in Lambeth is similar to London as whole (i.e. there are pockets of affluence and pockets of poverty)
- The wards with the highest household median income are Clapham Common (£41,077), Clapham Town (£37,517), St Leonard's (£39,469), Streatham Hill (£37,856), Thurlow Park (£36,968) and Streatham Wells (£36,564) wards
- The wards that have the lowest median income are Coldharbour (£27,571), Stockwell (£28,929), Vassall (£30,166), Prince's (£30,969) and Tulse Hill (£31,775) wards

What does this tell us about demand for childcare?

Parents living in the south east and north localities of the borough are likely to have greater financial barriers in accessing childcare. These areas are likely to have a higher demand for more affordable childcare provision, and a higher demand for financial benefits available to assist parents in paying for childcare

Index of Multiple Deprivation (IMD)

The latest 2007 IMD data shows:

- Lambeth is more deprived than in 2004
- The IMD 2007 places Lambeth as the 5th most deprived borough in London and 19th most deprived overall in England
- Lambeth as a whole comprises of areas of affluence and poverty, and this is also reflected within wards in the Borough
- The wards that show the most significant deprivation overall are Coldharbour, Vassall, Stockwell, Oval, Tulse Hill, Prince's, Larkhall and Ferndale, in this order
- The wards that ranked as the least deprived overall were Thurlow Park and Clapham Common, in this order
- The main areas of deprivation for all wards were living environment, and access to housing and barriers to service.

What does this tell us about demand for childcare?

- Ability to afford childcare is likely to be lowest in the south east and north localities, indicating a higher demand for affordable childcare provision and financial benefits available to assist parents in paying for childcare
- There are pockets of areas across the borough that show high levels of poverty, indicating demand for affordable childcare is not limited to just one area, affordable childcare needs to be available across the borough
- The need for affordable childcare is more apparent than ever, with the IMD showing Lambeth is more deprived than in 2004

Section 3: Indicators of Childcare Supply

Registered places 0-4 year olds:

Table 4: Registered places in PVI, childminder and maintained nursery sectors for 0-4 year olds, and children per place data by ward 2008

Wards	Number of 0-4 (GLA 2007)	PVI setting places	Childminder places	Maintained places*	Children per place PVI+ Childminders	Children Per Place Overall
Bishop's	454	397	16	58	1.1	1.0
Brixton Hill	1,005	79	78	202	6.4	2.8
Clapham Common	875	268	24	130	3.0	2.1
Clapham Town	888	317	36	149	2.5	1.8
Coldharbour	1,459	352	34	85	3.8	3.1
Ferndale	864	106	22	76	6.8	4.2
Gipsy Hill	992	208	51	111	3.8	2.7
Herne Hill	1,066	180	61	165	4.4	2.6
Knight's Hill	1,239	246	94	26	3.6	3.4
Larkhall	1,233	121	35	30	7.9	6.6
Oval	894	120	32	190	5.9	2.6
Prince's	934	163	9	119	5.4	3.2
St. Leonard's	796	353	34	52	2.1	1.8
Stockwell	1,277	391	35	66	3.0	2.6
Streatham Hill	953	326	23	50	2.7	2.4
Streatham South	865	185	92	103	3.1	2.3
Streatham Wells	954	162	64	76	4.2	3.2
Thornton	1,042	225	43	230	3.9	2.1
Thurlow Park	661	664	17	26	1.0	0.9
Tulse Hill	1,024	157	64	25	4.6	4.2
Vassall	1,070	253	81	215	3.2	1.9
Lambeth	20545	5273	945	2184	3.3	2.4

Family Information Service ICHIS 2008 data, *Starting Schools Booklet 09 and GLA 2007 Round ward population projections for 2008

*Maintained places are children aged 3-4 year old only

PVI and Childminder places are OFSTED published registered places

Registered places in the PVI sector (including Children's Centres)

- In 2008 there are 5,272 registered PVI places for 0-4 year olds, an increase of 679 places from 2007, or 13%
- The greatest number of registered PVI setting places are in Thurlow Park (664 places), Bishop's (397), Stockwell (391), St Leonard's (353) and Coldharbour (352) respectively
- Thurlow Park comprises 13% of all PVI places in Lambeth
- Bishop's ward has the second largest number of PVI places (397) yet has the least number of children 0-4 (454)
- In 2008 the wards with largest numbers of PVI places for 0-4 year olds were the same as in 2007, except for Coldharbour which now has one of the largest numbers of places
- The wards with the smallest number of registered PVI places were Brixton Hill (79), Ferndale (106), Oval (120) and Larkhall (121) respectively

- Larkhall has one of the smallest number of PVI places (121) yet one of the largest populations of 0-4 year olds (1233)
- Brixton Hill has just 2% of all PVI registered places in Lambeth
- In comparison to 2007 the wards with smallest number of places were Brixton Hill (86), Ferndale (88), Streatham Wells (111) and Vassall (126)
- The number of places in Streatham Wells and Vassall has increased significantly (by 30% and 51% respectively), whilst Oval and Larkhall have had a reduction in the number of PVI places (by 15% and 27% respectively) and hence replaces Streatham Wells and Vassall as wards with smallest numbers of PVI places

(Family Information Service ICHIS December 2008)

* see Section 6 for all figures on places by ward

Registered places in the Childminder sector

- In 2008 the total number of registered childminder places for 0-4 year olds is 945 places, a decrease of 334 places from 2007, or a one quarter reduction in childminder places
- Wards with the largest numbers of childminder places are Knight's Hill (94), Streatham South (92), Vassall (81) and Brixton Hill (78) wards respectively
- Knight's Hill ward has the largest numbers of childminder places, representing 10% of all childminder places in Lambeth
- Wards with the largest numbers of childminders have remained the same from 2007 to 2008, except for Vassall which has replaced Coldharbour as a ward with one of the largest numbers of childminder places
- Whilst places in Vassall ward have increased by only 5 places, places in other wards have decreased hence placing Vassall ward comparatively as one of the wards with the largest place numbers
- Since 2007 Coldharbour has had a sharp decrease in childminder places (71%) however it must be noted that due to data discrepancies in 2007 data sets, this may be because some childminders may have been incorrectly placed in Coldharbour ward
- Prince's ward has the least number of childminder places (9 places) representing just 1% of all places across the Borough
- Wards with the least number of childminder places in 2008 include Bishop's (16), Thurlow Park (17), Ferndale (22) and Streatham Hill (23) respectively
- In 2007 the wards with the smallest numbers of childminder places were Bishop's (14), Prince's (26), Oval (28) and Streatham Hill (34) wards. In 2008 Oval has had an increase of only 4 places, Thurlow Park and Ferndale wards have had significant decreases (63% and 47% respectively) and hence places shows they now comprise the smallest number of childminder places
- Two of the five wards that had the largest numbers of PVI places (Thurlow Park and Bishop's wards) also had one of the smallest numbers of childminder places.
- Brixton Hill ward has one of the largest numbers of childminder places, and the smallest number of PVI setting places

(Family Information Service ICHIS December 2008)

* see Section 6 for all figures on places by ward

Registered places and vacancies in the PVI sector for 0-2 year olds

- There are 2,328 registered PVI places for 0-2 year olds, which is nearly half of all 0-4 places in the PVI sector, yet 0-2 years old make up nearly two thirds of the 0-4 year old population
- Bishop's had the largest number of PVI sector places for 0-2 year olds (250 places or 11% of all 0-2 year old places) but the smallest number of 0-2 year olds (274)
- Coldharbour, Stockwell, Streatham Hill and Thurlow Park wards also have large numbers of 0-2 year old places
- Coldharbour and Stockwell wards have both large numbers of 0-2 years olds and the largest numbers of PVI registered places for 0-2 year olds
- Brixton Hill, Ferndale, Larkhall and Oval wards have the smallest numbers of registered PVI places for 0-2 year olds
- There are a large numbers of vacancies in the PVI sector Tulse Hill, Bishop's and Stockwell wards for 0-2 year old places compared to other wards
- There are no vacancies in the PVI sector for 0-2 year olds in Brixton Hill, Knight's Hill and Streatham Hill wards

(Family Information Service ICHIS December 2008)

* see Section 6 for all figures on places and vacancies by ward

FTE places for 3-4 year olds in the Maintained Sector Only

Table 5: Number of maintained sector places for 3-4 year olds, and children per place data by ward 2009

Ward	Number of 3-4 (GLA 2007)	Full Time Equivalent Places (FTE)*	Children per place**
Bishop's	180	58	3.1
Brixton Hill	357	202	1.8
Clapham Common	297	130	2.3
Clapham Town	326	149	2.2
Coldharbour	559	85	6.6
Ferndale	286	76	3.8
Gipsy Hill	359	111	3.2
Herne Hill	390	165	2.4
Knight's Hill	507	26	19.5
Larkhall	440	30	14.7
Oval	314	190	1.7
Prince's	364	119	3.1
St. Leonard's	281	52	5.4
Stockwell	496	66	7.5
Streatham Hill	333	50	6.7
Streatham South	332	103	3.2
Streatham Wells	305	76	4.0
Thornton	390	230	1.7
Thurlow Park	240	26	9.2
Tulse Hill	442	25	17.7
Vassall	460	215	2.1
Total	7,659	2,184	3.5

Starting School booklet 2009. Data includes places in Effra, Ethelred, Triangle, Holmewood and Maytree.

*FTE places indicates the capacity of nursery classes and do not equate to number of children per class

** Children per place calculation do not include PVI and Childminder places.

- There are 2,184 Full time equivalent (FTE) places in Lambeth.
- Vassall (215), Thornton (230) and Brixton Hill (202) wards have the largest numbers of full time equivalent places across the borough with 200 FTE places or more.
- Tulse Hill (25), Thurlow Park (26), Knight's Hill (26) and Larkhall (30) wards have the smallest numbers of full time equivalent places across the borough with 30 places or less.

(Starting Schools Booklet 2009 data)

* Due to incomparable data from 2007 to 2008, a comparison will not be made to the CSA 2007 data

* see Section 6 for all figures on places by ward

Free entitlement places for 3 and 4 year olds in the PVI sector

- There are approximately 2,944 registered places for 3 and 4 year olds in the PVI sector (56% of all registered PVI places)
- Over two thirds of free entitlement places were accessed by 3 year olds, one third by 4 year olds
- Thurlow Park and St Leonard's wards have the largest numbers of free entitlement places in the PVI sector and the largest numbers of 3 year olds and 4 year olds accessing free entitlement places
- Bishops' ward has a large number of free entitlement places, the majority of which are accessed by 3 year olds
- Knight's Hill, Ferndale and Tulse Hill wards have the least number of 3 and 4 year olds accessing free entitlement places

(Family Information Service ICHIS December 2008)

- see Section 6 for all figures of places by ward

PVI and Childminder Children per place (0-4 year olds)**

- In 2008 there are 6,218 PVI and childminder sector places, an increase of 345 places from 2007, or 6%
- Children per place data shows Lambeth wide there are 3.3 children per PVI and childminder places in 2008, compared to 3.5 in 2007, showing there is more childcare available per child in 2008 than there was in 2007
- The wards with the greatest ratio of children per place are Brixton Hill, Ferndale, Larkhall and Oval, showing these wards have the least number of places available per children in that ward
- The wards with the smallest ratio of children per place are Bishop's, Clapham Town, St Leonard's, Thurlow Park and Streatham Hill, showing these wards have the largest number of places per children in that ward
- Brixton Hill has the largest number of childminder places per child, but the smallest number of PVI places per child

(Family Information Service ICHIS December 2008)

*See Table 4, p.11

* *Children per place data is analysed using PVI and childminder sectors only, due to incompatibility of 2007 and 2008 data on the maintained sector

Vacancies 0-4 year olds

Overall PVI and childminder sector vacancies 0-4 years

- Overall there were more vacancies in 2008 than in 2007, from 1,336 vacancies in 2007 to 1,566 in 2008, an increase of 15%
- The increase in vacancies was found only in the PVI sector, where there was a 225 increase in PVI place vacancies in Lambeth from 2007 to 2008.
- Vacancies in childminder places fell by 7 places from 2007 to 2008, or 2%
- In 2008 approximately one in four places in the PVI and Childminder sectors are vacant

* see Section 6 for all figures on vacancies by ward

PVI vacancies

- The wards with the greatest number of PVI vacancies were Stockwell (163), Thurlow Park (153), and St Leonard's (104)
- In comparison to 2007, Stockwell and St Leonard's remain as greatest number of vacancies, whilst Coldharbour and Tulse Hill no longer have large numbers of vacancies (decrease of 25% and 48% respectively)
- Thurlow Park ward had a large increase in vacancies of 77% from 2007 to 2008.
- In comparing 2008 registered places to 2008 vacancies, Stockwell, Thurlow Park and St Leonard's wards had the greatest numbers of registered places and the greatest number of vacancies.
- The wards with the least number of PVI vacancies in 2008 are Brixton Hill (4), Knight's Hill (4), Ferndale (14) and Herne Hill (18).
- Clapham Common ward has seen an increase in vacancies of 91% from 2007 to 2008; Prince's ward an increase of 86% and Streatham Hill ward an increase of 61%.
- Knight's Hill ward has a decrease in vacancies by 60%

(Family Information Service ICHIS December 2008)

- see Section 6 for all figures on vacancies by ward

Table 6: Number of vacant places in PVI and Childminder sectors for 0-4 year olds by ward

Wards	Vacant places PVI sector	Vacant Places childminder sector	Total
Brixton Hill	4	25	29
Clapham Common	31	14	45
Clapham Town	30	11	41
Coldharbour	53	20	73
Ferndale	14	16	30
Gipsy Hill	43	19	62
Herne Hill	18	27	45
Knights Hill	4	35	39
Larkhall	56	20	76
Oval	30	17	47
Princes	54	6	60
St Leonards	104	24	128
Stockwell	163	35	198
Streatham Hill	25	20	45
Streatham South	31	37	68
Streatham Wells	88	32	120
Thornton	47	23	70
Thurlow Park	153	12	165
Tulse Hill	43	35	78
Vassall	35	45	80
Total Lambeth	1086	480	1566

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Childminder vacancies

- Overall there was a decrease in childminder vacancies from 487 in 2007 to 480 in 2008
- The wards with the largest number of childminder vacancies in 2008 are Vassall (45), Streatham South (37), Tulse Hill (35), Stockwell (35) and Knights Hill (35) respectively
- From 2007 to 2008 Stockwell and Vassall wards remain as wards with largest numbers of childminder place vacancies. These two wards, as well as Knights Hill and Streatham South wards also have the largest number of registered childminder places
- Tulse Hill ward has seen an increase of 32% in childminder place vacancies from 2007 to 2008, whilst Coldharbour and Streatham Wells have shown decreases of 68% and 31% respectively
- The wards with the least number of vacancies in 2008 are Prince's (6), Bishop's (7), Clapham Town (11) and Thurlow Park (12). Prince's, Bishop's and Thurlow Park wards also have the least number of registered childminder places

(Family Information Service ICHIS December 2008)

* see Section 6 for all figures on vacancies by ward

PVI and Childminder sector fees

Table7: Fees per hour PVI and Childminders sectors

Ward	Fees per hour range PVI sector	Average fees per hour childminder sector
Bishop's	£3 to £4.50	£4.90
Brixton Hill	£2.50 - £3	£4.92
Clapham Common	£5.66 - £8.76	£5.38
Clapham Town	£2.40 - £6.7	£4.88
Coldharbour	£2.30 - £4	£5.13
Ferndale	£2.60 - £3	£5.62
Gipsy Hill	£3.40 - £5	£4.98
Herne Hill	£3.20 - £5	£5.09
Knight's Hill	£2.60 - £3	£4.57
Larkhall	£1.60 - £4.50	£5.91
Oval	£2.50 - £3.30	£5.15
Prince's	£2 - £3	£6.84
St Leonard's	£3.30 ph - £6	£4.25
Stockwell	£2 - £3	£5.50
Streatham Hill	£3.50 - £5.40	£5.09
Streatham South	£3.50 - £7.50	£4.66
Streatham Wells	No per hour data	£4.72
Thornton	£8	£5.82
Thurlow Park	£3.10 - £5.45	£4.84
Tulse Hill	£2.60 - £6.50	£6.85
Vassall	£2 - £6.80	£5.50
Lambeth		Average all: £5.27

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- The fees per hour of childcare in the PVI sector ranged from £1.60 per hour to £8.76 per hour depending on age range, location and type of setting
- Larkhall, Prince's, St Leonard's and Vassall wards had the lowest starting range cost (between £1.60 - £2 per hour) showing these wards had some of the most affordable childcare in Lambeth
- Clapham Common, Clapham Town, Streatham South and Thornton wards had the most expensive fees (between £6.70 - £8.76 per hour for some settings) showing these wards had some of the most expensive childcare in Lambeth
- In the childminder sector the average cost across Lambeth was £5.27 per hour
- The lowest average childminder fees per hour were found in St Leonard's (£4.25), Knight's Hill (£4.57), Streatham South (£4.66) and Streatham Wells (£4.72) wards
- Wards with the most expensive average childminder cost per hour were Tulse Hill (£6.85), Prince's (£6.84), Larkhall (£5.91) and Thornton (£5.82) wards
- 13 of the 21 wards had average childminder fees below the Lambeth average

(Family Information Service ICHIS December 2008)

*consistent data was not available to provide a detailed analysis of cost breakdown by age

* see Section 6 for all figures on costs by ward

Opening Times and Flexibility

PVI providers

- The most common opening times for PVI providers were between the hours of 8am – 6pm
- The earliest opening time in the PVI sector across Lambeth was 7am, with at least one PVI provider in Bishop's, Herne Hill, Knight's Hill and St Leonard's wards opening by 7am
- Clapham Common ward has the least flexible opening times in the PVI sector, where the earliest opening time is 8.20am
- Stockwell, Bishop's, Ferndale, Gipsy Hill and Knight's Hill wards all have at least one PVI provider that remains open until 7pm
- All wards apart from Oval have at least one PVI provider open until 6pm.

(Family Information Service ICHIS December 2008)

* see Section 6 for all figures on opening times by ward

Childminders

- The earliest opening time in the childminder sector across Lambeth was 6am, with at least one childminder opening by 6am in Streatham South, Knight's Hill and Herne Hill wards
- Streatham Wells, Thornton, Tulse Hill and Vassall wards had at least one childminder open by 7am
- All childminders with available data (30%) were open by 8am across Lambeth
- The majority of childminders across Lambeth remain open until at least 7pm
- Wards that had at least one childminder open after 7pm were Stockwell, Streatham Hill, Thornton, Vassall, Herne Hill, Knight's Hill, Oval and St Leonard's
- Of all childminders that had available data, 16% (26 childminders) stated flexible hours and/ or weekend care was available
- With the exception of Prince's ward, all wards had at least one childminder that offered flexible hours or weekend care
- Stockwell ward had the largest number of childminders offering flexible and/or weekend care (5 childminders, or 40% of childminders in Stockwell ward)

(Family Information Service ICHIS December 2008)

* for PVI and childminder data, there was no consistent data available to provide detailed analysis of opening times by numbers of place nor the breakdown of type of care (full time vs. sessional care)

* see Section 6 for all figures on opening times by ward

Age Range

Key Facts

- 55% of PVI providers had available data on age range
- Of the PVI providers with available data, 55% cater for the 0-5 year age range,
- 24% cater for the 2-5 age range
- Of the childminders that provided available data, all catered for the 0-5 age range

(Family Information Service ICHIS December 2008)

* see Section 6 for all figures on age range by ward

Childcare Provision for Over 5's

Key Facts:

- There is currently no reliable data available to make a comprehensive assessment of supply for over 5 childcare provision in Lambeth
- Results from the 2007 CSA show there are currently 1,325 breakfast club places, 1,908 after school club places and 1238 childminder places for over 5 year olds
- Places for over 5 childcare provision were unevenly spread across the Borough in terms of number of places, vacancies and costs
- As a result of the need for out of school provision identified in the CSA 2007, a mapping exercise of over 5 childcare provision has been commissioned by the London Borough of Lambeth in 2008. Results from this assessment will provide an analysis of the demand and supply for over 5 childcare provision in 2008 and the results will be updated in this report

(CSA 2007 report)

Section 4: Overall Gap Analysis

This section provides an overview of gaps based on the heading provided by the Statutory Childcare Sufficiency Assessment Guidance. The gaps identified below provide an overview of the whole Borough. Specific analysis of gaps and needs are located in Section 5 at a locality level, and in Section 6 at a ward level.

Geographical Gaps:

The local authority has a duty to secure sufficient childcare to enable parents to work or access education and training leading to work. By looking at supply and demand data across the borough it is evident that a range of childcare exists, varying in type and for different age groups. Supply of childcare is unevenly spread across the Borough with largest supply in the south east and south west of the borough. Likewise the largest population of children and young people are also found in the south east and south west of the borough. However the analysis of demand indicates that there are particular wards across the borough where factors affecting demand such as parents' income, type of employment, ethnicity and lone parent status clearly affect access to childcare. The locality summary provided in Section 5 of this report provides a detailed analysis of the gaps across the borough.

Priorities:	Actions identified in 2007 -08 Action Plan:
Monitoring of places and vacancy rates in comparison to relative availability of places, to ensure appropriate spread across the borough	Ensure all data is gathered via early years census, consultations etc and is inputted into data systems to allow analysis

Gaps in Type of Provision:

Supply shows there is a variety of childcare provision provided for all age groups. For childcare provision for the 0-4 age group there is an uneven spread of the types of provision across the borough, including uneven spread of PVI, childminder and maintained sector provision, as well as an uneven spread of full time and part time places available. This may have an affect on vacancy rates across the borough as demand for one type of childcare may be affected by parents needs.

There is a clear lack of reliable information about childcare for the over 5 age group and as such the analysis of over 5 childcare provision provided in the 2007 CSA provides the most reliable needs assessment to date. There is clear need for an updated assessment of need, and this has been identified by Lambeth and is currently being undertaken.

Priorities:	Actions identified in 2007-08 Action Plan:
Exploring reasons for high vacancy rates in comparison to relative availability of places, to ensure parents needs in accessing childcare are met	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with key providers in key locations to support development plans • Provide start up and sustainability funding to providers addressing gaps • Support providers to regularly consult with users
Ensuring a mix of full time and part time places available to cater for a mix of full time and part time working parents, and parents who may want to return to work, training or education and require flexibility in childcare to meet their needs	
Needs analysis of current over 5 childcare provision	

Gaps for children with additional needs:

Findings from the 2007 and 2008 analysis shows there is limited data available on accurate and reliable number of children with a disability in Lambeth, limiting an analysis of assessing whether improvement have been made for this population in accessing appropriate childcare. There needs to be a greater emphasis on gathering data on the number of disabled children and their needs to assess demand for childcare, as well as an audit of childcare that is currently available for children with a disability, ensuring childcare providers are meeting the obligations under the Disability Discrimination Act (DDA) and their Ofsted registration requirement for provision of services to disabled children.

There is an uneven spread of ethnically diverse populations across the Borough. Cultural barriers may affect the uptake of childcare by ethnically diverse groups. Analysis indicates there is little available information about how cultural barriers affect uptake of childcare in Lambeth and this is an area that needs to be further explored

Priorities:	Actions identified in 2007 -08 Action Plan:
Ensuring parents and children from ethnically diverse backgrounds are able to access culturally appropriate information about childcare and related benefits to assist them in accessing childcare	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Information is provided to parents in accessible forms, including a range of community languages• Providers supported and required to provide evidence of engaging effectively with parents• Provider equality and diversity training and support settings
Further investigation of the number of disabled children, childcare needs of disabled children and their parents, and current supply of provision for disabled children	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Training offered to all providers on inclusion and meeting legal requirements against disability discrimination• Inclusion workers support providers and families through assessment process and placement• Target areas of highest need to develop inclusive partnerships to increase provision for disabled children• Child monitoring data is collected and analysed to identify children with disabilities accessing childcare, and develop strategies in response to meeting needs of disabled children

Income Gaps:

The ability to afford childcare is a major barrier to access childcare, and dependent on a number of factors including cost of childcare, parents' income levels, lone parent status, benefit claimant status and access to financial benefits. Analysis of these factors clearly identifies that families require support to access childcare are likely to be those with higher level of deprivation. 2007 and 2008 data showed similar results in relation to analysis of deprivation across the borough. In Lambeth the south east and north of the borough show there are larger numbers of families that may require support in accessing childcare. Analysis also indicates there is an uneven spread across the borough of the cost of costs of childcare, and varying levels of families accessing financial initiatives such as free entitlement places and the childcare element of working tax credit. Support to access these initiatives will assist parents to access childcare to allow them to work or undertake training or education leading to work.

Priorities:	Actions identified in 2007 -08 Action Plan:
<p>Ensuring equitable costs across the Borough</p> <p>Ensuring families on low incomes, lone parents and those on benefits are aware of financial initiatives to assist them to access childcare such as the free entitlement for 2, 3 and 4 years olds and the child care element of working tax credit for working parents</p> <p>Exploring options to ensure parents on benefits who want to access training, education or work opportunities are able to access childcare that is flexible to their needs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Providers offered business planning around sustainability and fee structure • Information to childminders on assessing market and setting fees • Business planning advice offered to providers around sustainability and fee structure • Publicity campaign to parents about their free, flexible learning entitlement • Information to all parents on WTC and CAP • Information to providers on ways of paying for childcare • Provide guidance and support to providers in offering flexible provision

Gaps in Opening Times available:

Both 2007 and 2008 indicate that provision is available for parents during 'typical' working hours, i.e. 8am – 6pm. More flexible hours are available across the ward, but this is unevenly spread. Childminders tend to be able to provide more flexibility in hours of care. 2007 data on the out of school care sector indicates more flexibility is needed to cater for working parents needs. Results show more thorough investigation is need of childcare provision across all age groups and type to ensure parent's needs in accessing childcare are met.

Priorities:	Actions identified in 2007 -08 Action Plan:
Ensuring flexibility of childcare provision for all age groups to meet needs of parents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish flexible hours childminding network and provide incentives for childminders working flexibly • Work with key providers in key locations to support development plans • Provide start up and sustainability funding to providers addressing gaps • Support providers to regularly consult with users • Offer flexibility incentives

Gaps in provision of childcare for particular age groups:

2007 data shows there is gap for children over 5 in childcare provision and a need for a greater understanding in this area. As previously stated Lambeth has identified this need and has commissioned an audit of out of school care provision which is currently underway. For provision of childcare for under 5's there is an uneven spread of provision across the borough. In some areas there is an increased demand for 0-2 year old provision, particularly in Clapham Common. Places in the maintained nursery sector and free entitlement places for 3 and 4 years olds are also unevenly spread across the Borough, creating higher demand for places in some areas.

Priorities:	Actions identified in 2007 -08 Action Plan:
Further assessment of demand to determine need for additional places, particularly for the 0-2 year old age group and current provision for over 5's	Commission work to provide more information on services based on age breakdown of under 5's, over 11's and school holiday provision

Section 5: Identifying next steps

In general Lambeth is well supplied by childcare across all age groups and types of provision. However the childcare available does not always meet the needs and expectation of families who wish to access childcare provision. This is influenced by a number of factors relating to parents ability to pay, their individual needs and circumstances, and the needs of their children, particularly children with disabilities.

Meeting childcare sufficiency in Lambeth is dependent on 3 areas of improvement:

1. Supporting parents and carers to help them access information about childcare in the area, costs of childcare and financial initiatives that help parents pay for childcare
2. Supporting providers to help them better understand the childcare market, parents needs and expectations, and help them to deliver provision based on identified need
3. Undertake further research that will allow a better understanding of what is happening in the childcare market and clearly identify where improvement have been made.

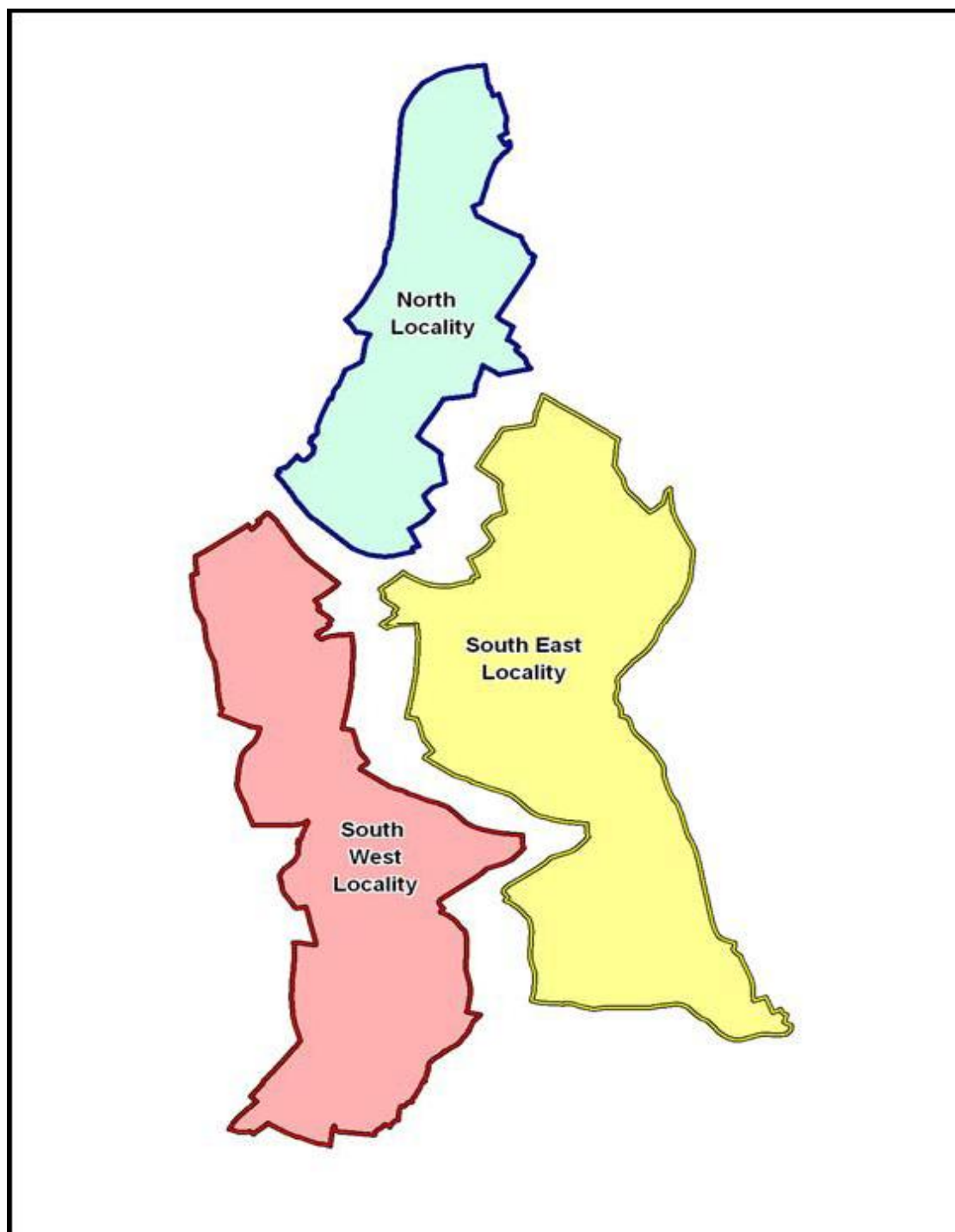
Needs of parents and the childcare market are always changing. To ensure these changes are identified and monitored, Lambeth will provide an update of its Childcare Sufficiency Assessment in 2009, and will undertake a full review and deliver a new Childcare Sufficiency Assessment in 2010.

London Borough of Lambeth Childcare Sufficiency Assessment

(Updated 2008)

**(This Section contains a summary of key findings by
ward)
Section 6 – 8 only**

Section 6: Summary of Findings by Locality



Locality Summary

The North Locality:

- Has the smallest number of adults and children across the Borough
- Contains one quarter of the Borough's 0-4 year population, a small figure comparatively across the Borough
- Contains one quarter of all of 5-9 year olds and one quarter of all 10-14 years olds across the Borough
- Contains concentrations of ethnically diverse populations, with a significant number of Portuguese residents living in Stockwell and Oval wards, and a significant number of Bangladeshi residents living in Larkhall and Oval wards
- Has a small number of married and co-habiting couples with dependent children compared to the rest of the Borough
- Has small numbers of lone parents with dependent children, with pockets of large numbers in Stockwell ward
- Has an uneven spread of people looking after the home or family, with large numbers in Stockwell and Larkhall wards and small numbers in Bishop's ward
- Has similar numbers of full time and part time workers to the rest of the Borough, with a large concentration of part time workers in Prince's ward
- Has large numbers of benefits claimants with large concentrations in Larkhall, Prince's and Stockwell wards
- Has an uneven spread of parents benefiting from the childcare element of working tax credit, with a small number of parents benefiting in Stockwell and Oval wards, and large numbers in the rest of the locality
- Has a lower average weekly household income overall in comparison to the Lambeth average (£610 compared to £664 Lambeth average), with pockets of low income in Prince's and Stockwell wards
- Overall has a high level of multiple deprivation with four of the five wards placed in the second highest rank of deprivation
- The children per place ratio for 0-4 year olds shows the North locality has a high child per place ratio compared to the Lambeth average (4.67 compared to 3.3) and this is unevenly spread across the locality. The North locality comprises the wards with both the lowest and highest children per place ratios across the Borough. Bishop's ward has one of the lowest ratios, indicating there are sufficient places for each child in this ward, yet Larkhall ward shows the highest ratio of all wards, indicating there are not enough places available for children in this ward
- The North locality comprises 24% of the 0-4 population and 22% of 0-4 registered places. Of the places available 1 in 5 of them are vacant, indicating that while there may be a demand for places, the places currently available are not meeting the needs of all parents in this locality
- There is an uneven spread of registered PVI places for 0-4 year olds. Bishop's ward has the largest numbers of PVI sector places but a small number of children 0-4 years. Larkhall ward has a small number of PVI places and a large number of children 0-4 years
- Bishop's ward has a large number of 0-4 PVI places, which consequently also means there are a large number of 3 and 4 year olds accessing a free entitlement place in the PVI sector in Bishop's ward
- The North locality has a 28% vacancy rate for both PVI and childminder vacancies, the lowest vacancy rate of all localities. It also has the smallest number of registered places for 0-4's and the smallest numbers of 0-4's in the Borough
- The largest numbers of PVI and childminder sector vacancies are in Stockwell ward which also has a large number of places in the PVI and childminder sectors
- Larkhall had a large number of vacancies but a small number of 0-4 registered places in the PVI sector, indicating demand factors in uptake of places in this ward need to be investigated to ensure childcare in this ward is meeting needs of all parents who need to access childcare
- 20% of all 0-2 year olds in Lambeth are in this locality and 28% of all 0-2 PVI registered places. Of these places one in three are vacant. This shows there is a large number of PVI

places for the number of 0-2 year olds in this locality, and hence a large number of vacancies. This may indicate there is an oversupply of PVI registered places for 0-2 year olds in this locality overall

- Stockwell and Bishop's wards have the largest number of PVI registered places for 0-2's and the largest number of vacancies
- The North locality has the least number of places in the maintained sector, but also the least number of 2, 3 and 4 year olds. There are more full time places than part time places and large pockets of places in Oval and Prince's wards
- Costs for PVI and childminder places in the North locality were similar to the Lambeth average, with pockets of low PVI costs per hour in Larkhall and Prince's wards and high costs per hour for childminder places in Prince's and Larkhall wards
- Opening times in the North locality were similar to the rest of the Borough for both PVI and childminder settings. There was a large number of childminders in the North locality stating flexible and weekend care, particularly in Bishop's, Stockwell and Oval wards.

Priorities for North Locality:

- Closing the gap of uneven spread of places across the locality
- Exploring reasons for high vacancy rates in comparisons to relative availability of places, to ensure parents needs in accessing childcare are met
- Ensuring a mix of full time and part time places available to cater for a mix of full time and part time working parents, and parents who may want to return to work, training or education and require flexibility in childcare to meet their needs
- Monitoring the indicated oversupply of places and high vacancies for 0-2 year olds
- Ensuring equitable childminder costs across the locality and in comparison to the rest of the borough
- Ensuring families on low incomes, lone parents and those on benefits are aware of financial initiatives to assist them to access childcare such as the free entitlement for 2, 3 and 4 years olds and the child care element of working tax credit for working parents
- Identifying current needs of disabled children and their parents in the locality, to ensure current provision is meeting demand
- Ensuring parents and children from ethnically diverse backgrounds are able to access culturally appropriate information about childcare and related benefits to assist them in accessing childcare

The South East Locality:

- This locality has the largest number of adults and children in the Borough, as well as the largest populations for all age groups 0-14 years
- There are large numbers of lone parents, married couples and co-habiting couples with dependent children, and large numbers of people looking after the home or family
- There are large numbers of Black, Minority Ethnic (BME) groups, with large clusters in Coldharbour, Brixton Hill, Vassall and Tulse Hill wards. There are also a significant number of people from a Portuguese background in Ferndale ward
- There are large numbers of benefit claimants, particularly in Coldharbour ward with almost double the Lambeth average
- Six of the nine wards in this locality have an average weekly household income that is lower than the Lambeth average (£664)
- Levels of multiple deprivation are high across the locality, with four of the nine wards placed in the second highest rank of deprivation, and four wards in the third highest rank of deprivation
- There are 46% of all 0-4 year olds in this locality but only 44% of all 0-4 year old places. This shows there are a small number of places available to children in the locality. This locality has 42% of all vacancies in the Borough, showing there are a small number of total vacancies in comparison to the total number of places available

- Children per place data for the PVI and childminders sectors shows this locality has a large number of children to places available, and that the places are unevenly spread across the locality. Brixton Hill and Ferndale wards have high children per place ratios indicating there are not enough places available for children in those wards. However in Thurlow Park ratios show there are more places available than children who need them
- There are a large number of PVI registered places in this locality but this is unevenly spread. Coldharbour, Thurlow Park and Vassall wards have the largest number of PVI places. Coldharbour and Vassall wards also have a large number of 0-4 year olds
- Thurlow Park ward has a large number of places but a small number of 0-4 year olds. In contrast Brixton Hill ward has a small number of PVI places but a large number of 0-4 year olds
- There are a large number of childminder places in this locality with Brixton Hill, Knight's Hill and Vassall wards comprising the largest number of places. Thurlow Park and Ferndale wards have a small number of childminder places, matched by a small number of 0-4 year olds in those wards
- There is an uneven spread of vacancies for both PVI and childminders places. The least number of vacancies in the PVI sector are in Brixton Hill and Ferndale wards, which match a small number of 0-4 year olds in those wards. Herne Hill and Knight's Hill wards have a small number of vacancies and large numbers of 0-4 year olds. Thurlow Park ward has a large number of vacancies, but a small number of children 0-4 years. This indicates for some wards in this locality there is a shortage of places, and for other wards there is an over supply of places, or places that currently do not meet the needs of all parents
- In the childminder sector the largest numbers of vacancies are in Vassall, Tulse Hill and Knights Hill wards where there are also large numbers of children. This may indicate the childminder sector in these wards is not meeting the needs of parents who need to access them
- The South East locality comprises 45% of all 0-2 year olds but only 41% of all 0-2 year old places. There are less vacancies overall (38%) than places overall (41%) showing there are less places available per children in the locality, and as a result a smaller number of vacancies to places available. This indicates an undersupply of sufficiency for 0-2 year old places in this locality
- There are a large number of maintained sector places in this locality, with almost half of all the full time equivalent (FTE) places in Lambeth. Brixton Hill and Vassall wards have a large number of places overall particularly for 3 year olds, however Brixton Hill ward has more part time places and Vassall ward has more full time places
- This locality had a small number of free entitlement places in the PVI sector, particularly in Knights Hill, Tulse Hill and Ferndale wards for both 3 and 4 year olds
- Costs of PVI and childminder places are similar to the rest of the Borough, however costs are spread unevenly across the locality. Knight's Hill ward had one of the least expensive average childminder costs, while Tulse Hill ward had one of the most expensive average childminder costs
- Most wards in this locality had a broad range of opening times indicating flexible access for parents. Herne Hill, Knight's Hill, Ferndale and Gipsy Hill wards all have providers with the most flexibility in opening and closing times in the PVI sector. In the childminder sector, Knight's Hill, Herne Hill, Tulse Hill and Vassall wards had the greatest number of childminders with flexible opening and closing times, and availability on weekends

Priorities for South East Locality:

- Options to increase the overall number of places available
- Options to address the indicated undersupply of 0-2 year old places
- Closing the gap of uneven spread of places across the locality in comparison to the number of children 0-4 years in each ward
- Ensuring families on low incomes, lone parents and those on benefits are aware of financial initiatives to assist them to access childcare such as the free entitlement for 2, 3 and 4 years olds and the child care element of working tax credit for working parents
- Exploring options to ensure parents on benefits claimants who want to access training, education or work opportunities are able to access childcare that is flexible to their needs
- Identifying current needs of disabled children and their parents in the locality, to ensure provision is meeting demand
- Ensuring parents and children from ethnically diverse backgrounds are able to access culturally appropriate information about childcare and related benefits to assist them in accessing childcare
- Ensuring equitable childminder costs across the locality and in comparison to the rest of the Borough

The South West Locality:

- Comprises 34% of the Lambeth adult and child population, less than the south east locality, but more than the north locality
- Comprises almost one third of all 0-4 year olds, more than one quarter of 5-9 year olds and almost one third of 10-14 year old children in the borough
- Is the most affluent part of the borough overall, with clusters of deprivation in some wards
- Has a large number of White British residents as well as a higher than Lambeth average numbers of residents from an Indian background, with clusters in St Leonard's and Streatham South wards
- Has large numbers of married and cohabiting couples with dependent children, particularly in Clapham Common and Streatham South wards
- Has a small number of lone parent households with dependent children, with a cluster of high numbers in Thornton ward
- Has a high economic activity rate, with large numbers of people in full time employment and large numbers of people looking after the home in Thornton and Streatham South wards
- Has a high average weekly income compared to the rest of the Borough (£750 compared to £664 Lambeth average)
- Contains most of the wards with the least level of deprivation in Lambeth, with clusters of deprived areas throughout the locality
- Children per place data shows there is low number of children per place for all wards except Streatham Wells ward, indicating a sufficient number of places per children in this locality
- This locality comprises 31% of the 0-4 population and 35% of all 0-4 registered PVI and childminder places. This shows there are a higher number of places per children in this locality. This locality also has 31% of all vacancies across the Borough which compared to the total number of places is a low figure. This shows there is a higher number of places available per number of children, yet vacancies are low and hence indicate a high demand for places in this locality
- In the PVI sector there are a large numbers of places in Clapham Common, Clapham Town and St Leonard's wards and the least number of places in Streatham South and Streatham Wells wards
- The largest number of childminder places is in Streatham South ward
- There are 32% of the total 0-2 age group in this locality, as well as 32% of PVI and childminder places for 0-2's and 28% of vacancies. This data shows the same percentage of children to places for 0-2's, and a small number of vacancies compared to the total number of places, indicating a high demand for places for 0-2 year olds

- Large numbers of 0-2 places are found in Streatham Hill, Thornton and Clapham Town wards where there are also large numbers of 0-2 year olds
- In the maintained sector Clapham Town and Thornton wards have large numbers of full time equivalent places, whilst Clapham Common, Streatham Hill and St Leonard's wards have the least number of full time equivalent places
- There is more than double the number of part time places than full time places in the maintained sector across the locality. The largest number of part time places are in Clapham Common, Clapham Town and Thornton wards, and the largest number of full time places in Thornton ward
- This locality has a high range of PVI costs compared to other localities, particularly in Clapham Common, Clapham Town, Streatham South and Thornton wards
- Childminder costs in the locality were similar to the Lambeth average, with pockets of higher average costs in Thornton ward, and lower than average costs in Clapham Town and Streatham South wards
- Opening hours in this locality are similar to that of other localities for the PVI sector. The childminder sector indicates good flexibility across the locality and in comparison to other localities

Priorities for South West Locality:

- Further assessment of demand to determine need for additional places, particularly for the 0-2 year old age group
- Closing the gap of uneven spread of places across the locality
- Ensuring availability of full time places to cater for high numbers of full time workers, and flexible places to cater for parents with varying needs
- Ensure equity of PVI childcare costs in comparison to the whole borough
- Ensure equity of childminder costs across the locality and in comparison to the whole borough

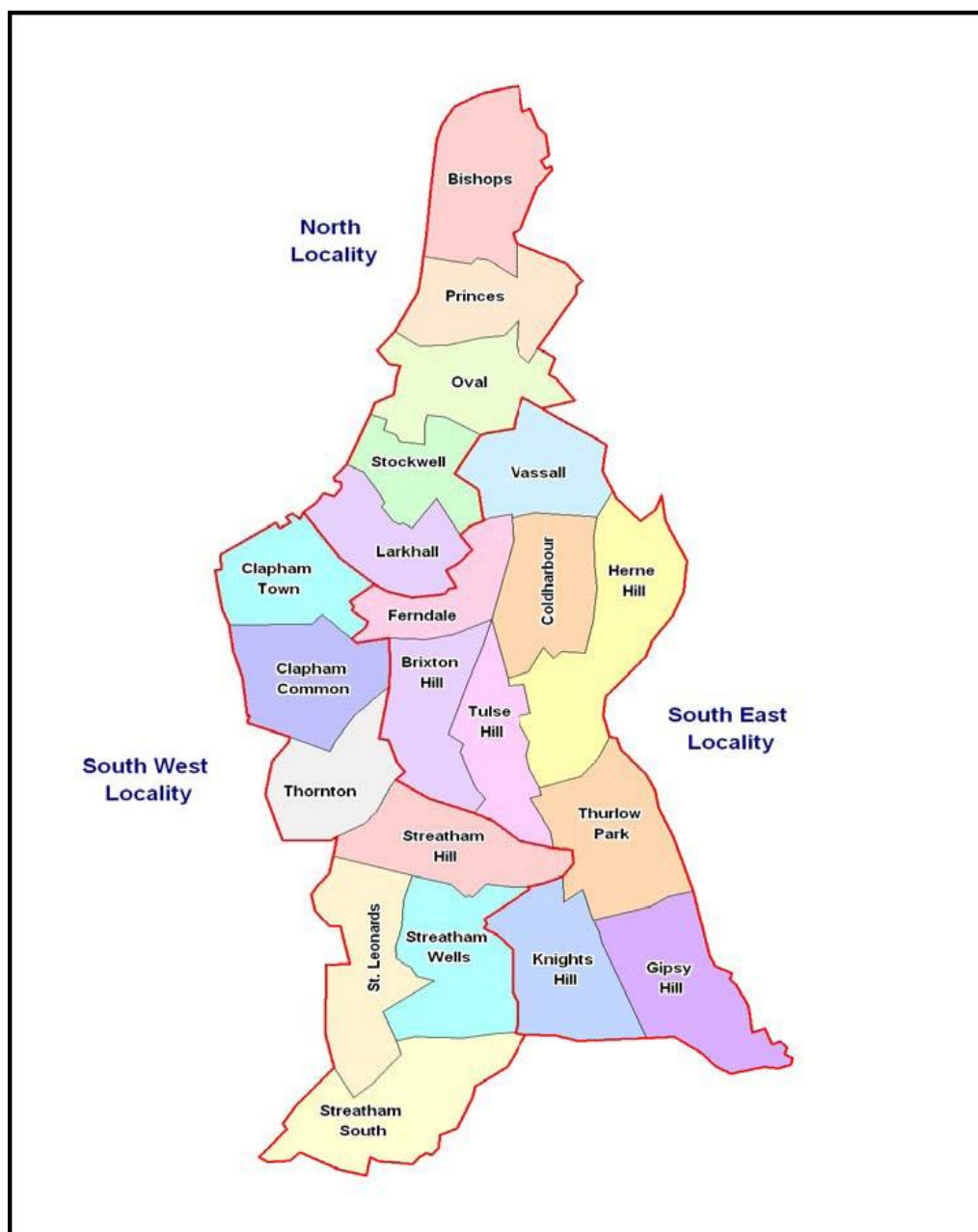
Section 7: Summary of Findings by Ward

Ward summaries are presented by locality in the following order:

North Locality: Bishop's, Prince's, Oval, Stockwell and Larkhall wards

South East Locality: Vassall, Coldharbour, Ferndale, Brixton Hill, Tulse Hill, Herne Hill, Thurlow Park, Gipsy Hill and Knight's Hill wards

South West Locality: Clapham Town, Clapham Common, Thornton, Streatham Hill, St Leonard's, Streatham Wells and Streatham South wards



Bishop's Ward

Factors Affecting Demand:

Under 5's population:

0	1	2	Total 0-2	3	4	Total 3-4	Total 0-4
86	93	95	274	92	88	180	454

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Over 5's population:

5	6	7	8	9	Total 5-9	10	11	12	13	14	Total 10-14	Total all
91	86	104	86	107	474	88	97	89	88	70	441	915

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Key Facts:

- 3% of all Lambeth children under 5 live in Bishop's ward.
Compared to other wards in Lambeth, Bishop's ward has the lowest percentage of children under 5
- From 2007 to 2008 the number of children under 5 in Bishop's ward has remained the same (455 in 2007 to 454 in 2008)
- From 2007 to 2008 the number of 5-9 year olds and 10-14 year olds have increased slightly (472 to 474) and (412 to 441) respectively. Bishop's ward has the smallest number of 5-9 year olds and 10-14 year olds across the borough
- The majority of children aged 0-14 in Bishops are from White British, White other background, Black African, Black Caribbean and Black other backgrounds. There is also a small population of children from Bangladeshi background
- There are between 20-29 children with a disability 0-18 years on the ICOUNT Disability register in Bishop's ward (1.01% - 1.25% of all 0-18 yr olds)
- Bishop's ward has a lower than average household income compared to other wards (£600 compared to £664 average of all Lambeth wards)
- There are a small number of people who work part time in comparison to the rest of the borough (6.6% compared to Lambeth 7%)
- 10% of all households are lone parent households with dependent children; this is lower than the Lambeth average (12%)
- There are a small number of couples with dependent children compared to the rest of the borough (7.7% compared to Lambeth 12%)
- Bishop's ward has one of the smallest number of job seeker claimants across the borough (4% compared to 4.8% average of all Lambeth wards)
- One in five families in work in Bishop's ward benefit from the child care element of Working Tax Credit (WTC), including 32% of lone parents. Bishop's ward has an average take up rate in comparison to other Lambeth wards

Under 5's Childcare Supply:

Table 1: Number of registered places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Number of registered places 2008	Number of registered places 2007
PVI's	397 (6 providers)	398
Childminders	16 (6 childminders)	14
Total	413	412
Children per place	1.1	1.1

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2007 and 2008; ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

Key Facts:

- Comparison of 2007 to 2008 data shows the number of PVI places remained stable, and there was a slight increase of childminder places. Overall there are more registered places in 2008, and decrease in the number of actual children per place.
- The data shows that there is sufficiency, and possibly an oversupply of places in Bishop's ward. This ward has the smallest child per place ratio across Lambeth showing the demand for places may be low compared to other wards
- There are 58 full time equivalent places for 3-4 year olds in the maintained sector.
- In the PVI sector there are 110 children accessing a free entitlement place. Over three quarters of these children are 3 years old, and one quarter 4 years old

Figure 1: Location of PVI settings and Maintained schools with nursery classes (Jun 2009).

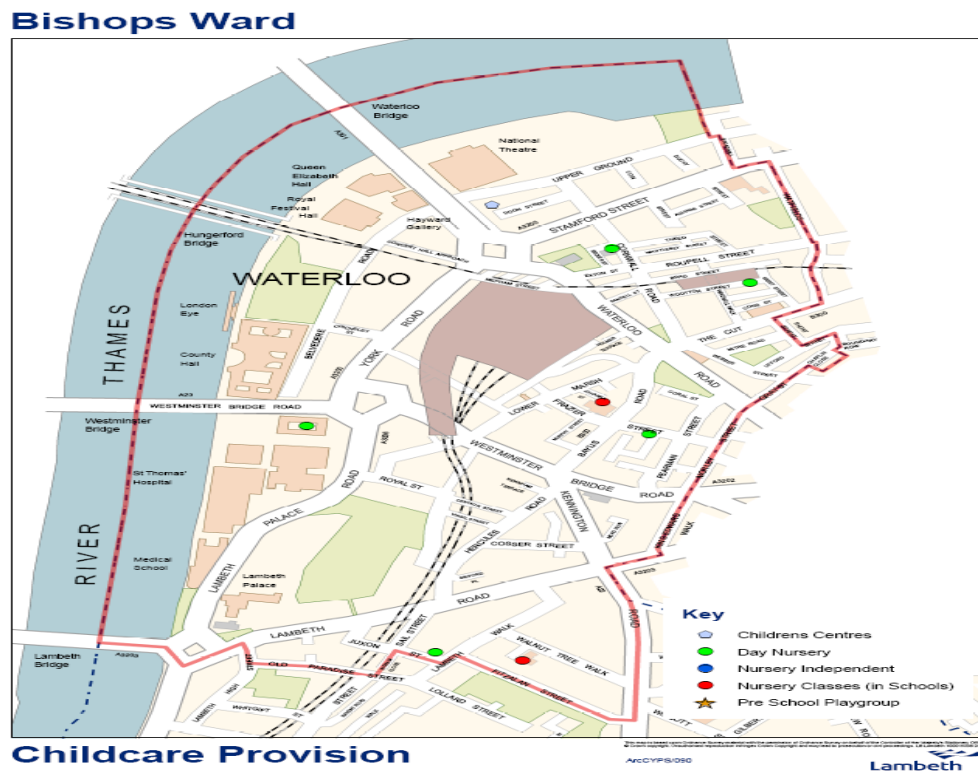


Table 2: Number of vacant places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Vacant places 2008	Vacant places 2007
PVI	60	58
Childminder	7	4
Total	67	62

(ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

- Approximately 1 in 6 places are vacant in the PVI and childminder sectors in Bishop's ward
- There was a slight increase in vacancies for PVI and childminder places
- Overall the number of registered places has remained the same, and there has been a small number of vacancy increases
- Children per place data indicates that the reason for vacancies may be due to an oversupply of places

Table: PVI Registered places and PVI Vacancies 0-2 years

PVI Registered places 0-2				PVI Vacancies 0-2			
0	1	2	Total 0-2	0	1	2	Total 0-2
175	63	12	250	15	16	2	33

(ICHIS 2008)

- Nearly two thirds of all registered places in the PVI sector are 0-2 year old places
- Just over one half of all vacancies are 0-2 year old vacancies. This may indicate that there is an oversupply of places for 0-2 year olds
- Almost all PVI providers and all childminders cater for the 0 -5 age group
- The earliest opening times for the PVI sector was 7am, and the latest closing time was 7pm. Most providers are open from 8am – 6pm
- All childminders are open between 8am – 6pm. Two childminders stated flexible evening and weekend care
- Cost of childcare in the PVI sector ranged from £3 - £4.50 per hour. Based on data for other wards, cost per hour in Bishop's ward is on average with most other wards and less expensive than some wards
- For the childminder sector costs ranged from £3.50 - £6, with an average of £4.90 per hour. The average cost per hour in Bishop's ward for childminders is slightly lower than the average cost of all Lambeth wards (£5.27)
- Assisting families, particularly those on low incomes and those who are unemployed to access the childcare element of working tax credit will assist parents to access affordable childcare

Summary:

- There appears to be an oversupply of places in this ward for 0-4 year olds. This ward has 1.1 children per place (PVI and Childminders only) and 1.0 child per place overall. This is lower than the overall children per place in Lambeth (2.4).
- The population of 0-4 has remained the same from 2007 to 2008 indicating no need for an increase in registered places
- Analysis of childcare for over 5's is needed to address the supply and demand of childcare for this age group
- Bishop's ward has a lower than Lambeth average of household income. In addition the cost of childcare is similar or less expensive to most other wards and an average take up of the childcare element of working tax credit is similar to the average rates across Lambeth. Parents on low incomes may benefit from an increased awareness of the childcare element of working tax credit to assist them to access affordable childcare. This may assist in reducing vacancy rates
- For 0-4 year olds, PVI and childminder opening times show that most providers are open 'typical' working hours and there is limited flexibility in both sectors for flexible hours. This may be contributing factor to vacancy rates in this ward
- Further analysis of the need for flexible opening times may assist in understanding parents needs in accessing childcare and assist in reducing vacancy rates

Prince's Ward

Factors Affecting Demand

Under 5's population:

0	1	2	Total 0-2	3	4	Total 3-4	Total 0-4
183	194	193	570	184	180	364	934

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Over 5's population:

5	6	7	8	9	Total 5-9	10	11	12	13	14	Total 10-14	Total all
179	158	152	141	129	759	135	148	125	132	101	641	1400

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Key Facts:

- 5% of all Lambeth children under 5 live in Prince's ward. Compared to other wards in Lambeth, the number of children under 5 in Prince's ward is not significantly higher or lower
- The number of children under 5 in Prince's ward has decreased from 941 in 2007 to 934 in 2008
- The number of children aged 5-9 years and 10-14 years have increased, from 727 in 2007 to 759 in 2008, and from 617 in 2007 to 641 in 2008 respectively
- Prince's ward has one of the lowest average household incomes compared to other wards (£590 compared to £664 Lambeth average)
- There are a high number of part time workers in comparison to other wards (12% compared to Lambeth average of 10%)
- 11% of all households are lone parent households. This is lower than the Lambeth average of 12%
- There are a low number of couples with dependent children (9.8% compared to 12%)
- Nearly 1 in 5 families in work in Prince's ward benefit from the child care element of Working Tax Credit (WTC), including one third of lone parents. This is an average number across the borough

Under 5's Childcare Supply

Table 1: Number of registered places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Number of registered places 2008	Number of registered places 2007
PVI's (Private, Voluntary and Independent sector including Children Centres)	163 (5 providers)	170
Childminders	9 (5 providers)	26
Total	172	196
Children per place	5.43	4.81

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2007 and 2008; ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

Key Facts:

- Comparison of 2007 to 2008 data shows a decrease in the number of PVI and childminder places. Overall there are a less registered places than in 2007, and an increase in the number of actual children per place. The child per place ratio is higher than the Lambeth average (3.3) indicating there are insufficient places in the PVI and childminders sectors for 0-4 year olds in this ward
- There are 70 children accessing their free entitlement in the PVI sector. 47 of these children are 3 years old, and 23 are 4 years old
- There are 119 full time equivalent places for 3-4 year olds in the maintained sector.

Figure 2: Location of PVI settings and Maintained schools with nursery classes (Jun 2009).

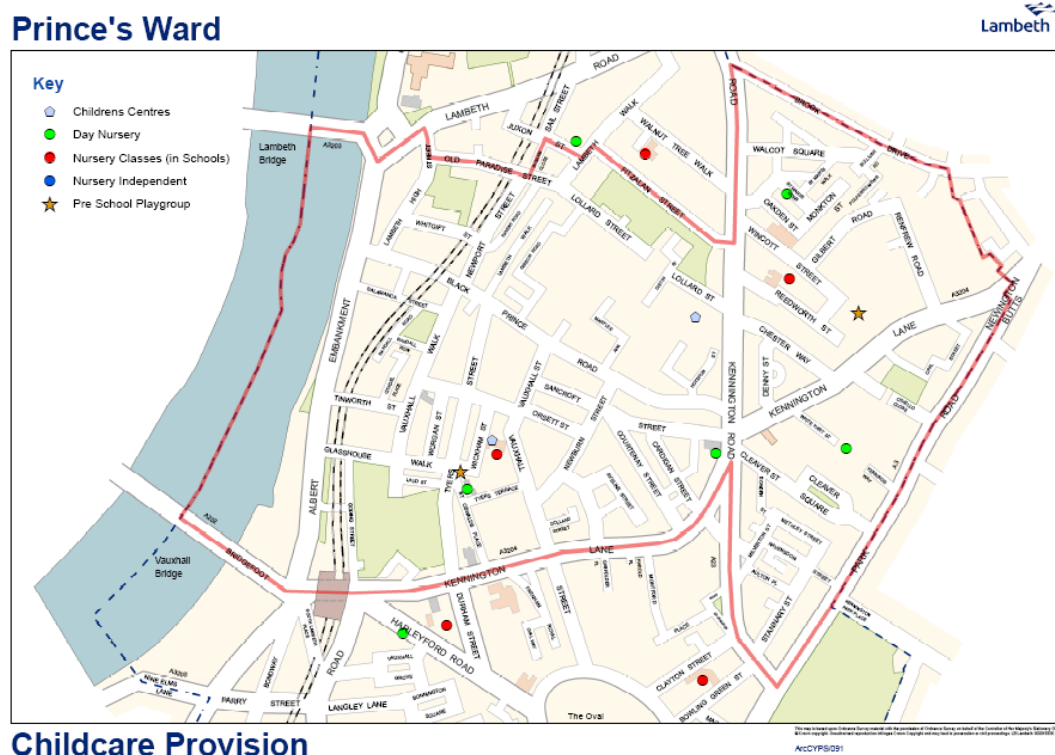


Table 2: Number of vacant places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Vacant places (2008 data)	Vacant places (CSA 2007)
PVI (Private, Voluntary and Independent sector including Children Centres)	54	8
Childminder	6	15
Total	60	23

(ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

- There was an increase of vacancies in the PVI sector from 2007 to 2008 and a decrease in childminder sector vacancies. One third of all places are currently vacant in the PVI and childminders sectors
- Overall there has been a decrease in the number of registered places in Prince's ward, but a higher number of vacancies. This indicates that there is demand for childcare for 0-4 year olds but that current places available are not meeting needs of all parents

PVI Registered places 0-2 PVI Vacancies 0-2

PVI Registered places 0-2				PVI Vacancies 0-2				
0	1	2	Total 0-2		0	1	2	Total 0-2
55	11	28	94		0	5	6	11

(ICHIS 2008)

- Over half of all places in the PVI sector are for 0-2 year olds and one in five vacancies for 0-2 places. This is a small figure in comparison to other wards and may indicate that there could be demand for 0-2 places in the future
- Only 2 out of 6 PVI providers cater for 0-2's, and all childminders with available information catered for the 0-5 age group
- Based on available data, the earliest opening time in the PVI sector was 8am, and the latest closing time was 6pm. Only 2 out of 6 PVI providers remain open until 6pm
- Based on available information from childminders, all opened between 7am – 8.30am. Closing times varied between 4pm – 6.30pm. No childminders stated flexibility in opening /closing times or weekend availability
- Based on available information from PVI providers, cost range per week was £120 - £180 per week. Only 2 PVI providers had cost per hour data available, which ranged from £2 - £3 per hour. Cost per hour in Prince's ward is equivalent to most other wards, and is less expensive than some wards
- Costs for childminders ranged from £5 - £10 per hour, with an average of £6.84 per hour. In comparison to other wards, the average cost per hour in Prince's ward for childminders is higher than the Lambeth average (£5.27)

Summary:

- There are currently insufficient places in the PVI and childminder sector (5.4 children per place) .Overall there is 3.2 children per place which is higher than the Lambeth children per place (2.4). The increase in vacancies suggests the current places available do not meet the needs of parents who wish to access them. Further analysis of parents needs should be undertaken to better understand the demand for childcare in this ward, including the need for more flexible opening times
- There are a low number of vacancies for 0-2 year olds, and this indicates demand for more provision in the PVI sector for 0-2 year olds in the future. Further investigation of demand is needed
- Prince's ward has a low average household income and an average take up of the childcare element of working tax credit. Parents on low incomes may benefit from an increased awareness of the childcare element of working tax credit to assist them to meet childcare costs and access more affordable childcare. This may contribute to reducing vacancy rates
- From 2007 to 2008 there has been an increase in the number of children aged 5-14 years. Analysis of childcare for over 5's is needed to address supply and demand of childcare for this age group

Oval Ward

Factors Affecting Demand

Under 5's population:

0	1	2	Total 0-2	3	4	Total 3-4	Total 0-4
204	198	178	580	156	158	314	894

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Over 5's population:

5	6	7	8	9	Total 5-9	10	11	12	13	14	Total 10-14	Total all
145	134	123	117	121	640	122	131	113	107	97	570	1210

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Key Facts:

- 5% of all Lambeth children under 5 live in Oval ward. Compared to other wards in Lambeth, the number of children under 5 in Oval ward is not significantly higher or lower
- The number of children under 5 in Oval ward has increased from 873 in 2007 to 894 in 2008
- The number of children aged 5-9 has increased from 636 in 2007 to 640 in 2008. The number of children aged 10-14 has increased from 565 in 2007 to 570 in 2008
- There are between 20-29 children 0-18 years with a disability on the ICOUNT Disability Register in Oval ward (0.76% - 1.% of all 0-18 yr olds)
- Oval ward has a slightly lower than average household income compared to all wards in Lambeth (£650 compared to £664 Lambeth average)
- Oval ward has a similar number of part time employees (6.9% compared to 7%) and job seeker claimants to the Lambeth average (4% compared to 4.8%)
- Oval ward has a lower than Lambeth average number of lone parent households than most other wards (11% compared to 12%)
- There are high numbers of residents from EU countries (7.8% compared to 4.8%), with the largest numbers coming from Portugal, France and Italy.
- One in six families in work in Oval ward benefit from the child care element of Working Tax Credit (WTC), including one quarter of lone parents. This is an average take up rate across the borough

Under 5's Childcare Supply

Table 1: Number of registered places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Number of registered places 2008	Number of registered places 2007
PVI's (Private, Voluntary and Independent sector including Children Centres)	120 (4 providers)	140
Childminders	32 (13 childminders)	28
Total	152	168
Children per place	5.89	5.2

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2007 and 2008; ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

Key Facts:

- Comparison of 2007 to 2008 data shows a decrease in the number of PVI places available and a slight increase in the number of childminder places. Overall there are less registered places than in 2007, and an increase in the number of children per place. The child per place ratio is higher than the Lambeth average (3.3) and indicates insufficiency of places for 0-4 year olds in this ward.
- There are 52 children accessing their free entitlement in the PVI sector. Over three quarters of these children are 3 years old, and the remaining one quarter are 4 years old.
- There are 190 full time equivalent places for 3-4 year olds in the maintained sector, one of the highest numbers across the borough.

Figure 3: Location of PVI settings and Maintained schools with nursery classes (Jun 2009).

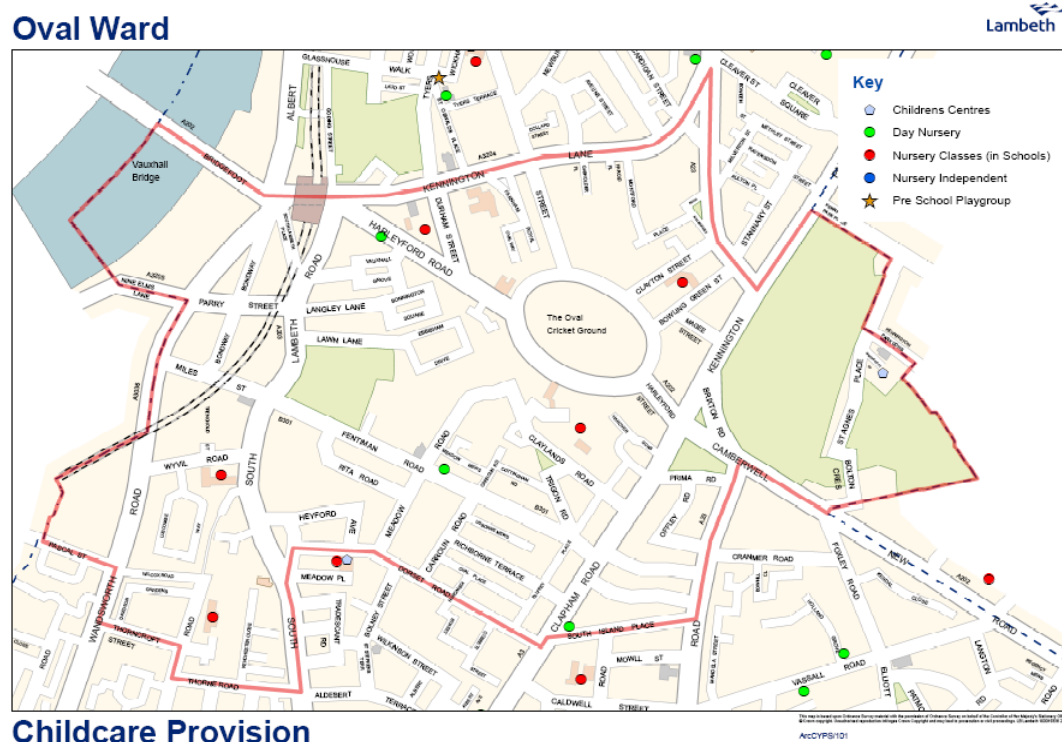


Table 2: Number of vacant places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Vacant places 2008	Vacant places (CSA 2007)
PVI	30	18
Childminder	17	8
Total	47	26

(ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

- Vacancies in the PVI and childminder sectors have increased from 2007 to 2008. Currently one in three places are vacant. Overall there is a decrease of registered places but an increase in vacancies. This indicates that whilst there is an insufficient number of places, the places currently available are not meeting the needs of all parents

Registered places and vacancies 0-2

Registered places 0-2				Vacancies 0-2			
0	1	2	Total 0-2	0	1	2	Total 0-2
6	0	44	50	0	0	7	7

(ICHIS 2008)

- 425 of all places in the PVI sector are for 0-2 year olds and only one quarter of all vacancies are for 0-2 year old places. This is a low number in comparison to other wards and indicates a demand for places for the 0-2 age group
- Of the available information only one PVI provider caters for the 0-5 age group
- Of the 11 childminders with available information, nine childminders cater for the 0-5 age group, and two childminders cater for the 1-5 age group
- Based on available PVI data, the earliest opening time in the PVI sector was 8.30am, with most opening between 8.30am – 9am. The latest closing time was 5.30pm, with two providers closing by 4pm
- In the childminder sector the earliest opening time was 7am, with all childminders open by 8am. Closing times varied between 5pm – 9pm. One childminder stated flexibility with hours and three stated they are open on weekends
- Only one PVI provider had cost data available showing a range of £1.60 - £4.50 per hour depending on age of the child. Cost per hour in Oval ward is average in comparison to other wards
- Cost of childminder provision ranged from £4 - £7 per hour, with an average of £5.15 per hour. The average cost per hour in Oval ward for childminders is close to the average cost of all Lambeth wards (£5.27).

Summary:

- There are an insufficient number of places in the PVI and childminder sector (5.9 children per place). Overall there are 3.2 children per place, higher than the Lambeth average (2.4). There are a large number of places for 3-4 year olds in the maintained sector which may fill some of the gap for this age group with a population of 314.
- There is demand for more provision in the PVI sector for 0-2 year olds
- An increase in vacancies indicates the current provision available is not meeting the needs of all parents. Further analysis of parents needs should be undertaken to better understand demand for childcare in this ward, including need for more flexible opening times
- Further analysis of the needs of different ethnic groups, particularly Portuguese residents may help marginalised groups to access childcare appropriate to their needs
- Oval ward has a slightly higher than Lambeth average of household income. In addition, the cost of childcare is similar to most other wards and the take up of the childcare element of working tax credit is similar the average rates across Lambeth. Parents on low incomes may benefit from an increased awareness of the childcare element of working tax credit to assist them to access affordable childcare. This may assist in reducing vacancy rates
- From 2007 to 2008 there has been an increase in the number of children aged 5-14 years. Analysis of childcare for over 5's is needed to address supply and demand of childcare for this age group

Stockwell Ward

Factors Affecting Demand

Under 5's population:

0	1	2	Total 0-2	3	4	Total 3-4	Total 0-4
257	265	259	781	243	253	496	1277

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Over 5's population:

5	6	7	8	9	Total 5-9	10	11	12	13	14	Total 10-14	Total all
233	223	231	211	278	1176	206	211	177	172	185	951	2127

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Key Facts:

- 7% of all Lambeth children under 5 live in Stockwell ward. Compared to other wards in Lambeth, Stockwell has one of the highest numbers of children under 5
- The number of children under 5 in Stockwell ward has increased from 1264 in 2007 to 1277 in 2008
- The number of 5-9 year olds has increased from 1169 in 2007 to 1176 in 2008. Likewise the number of 10-14 year olds has increased from 938 in 2007 to 951 in 2008. Stockwell ward has large numbers of the 5-9 and 10-14 year olds compared to most wards in Lambeth
- There are between 30-39 children 0-18 years who have a disability on the ICount Disability Register in Stockwell ward (0.76% - 1.0% of all 0-18 yr olds)
- Stockwell ward has a low average household income of all wards in Lambeth (£570 compared to £664 Lambeth average)
- There are large numbers of part time employees in comparison to the rest of the Borough (7.6% compared to 7%)
- There are a large number of lone parent households in comparison to most other Lambeth wards (17% compared to average 12%)
- There is a large number of Black African residents (20% compared to 10.8%), and a large number of 'Other White' residents (12% compared to 9%) with the majority from Portugal, in comparison to other wards in Lambeth
- The number of job seeker claimants is similar to the average number across the Borough (5% compared to 4.8% average of all Lambeth wards)
- 1 in 6 families in work in Stockwell ward benefit from the child care element of Working Tax Credit (WTC), including almost one third of lone parents (HMRC Child Tax Credit Statistics 2006-07). This is a below average take up rate in comparison to other wards.

Under 5's Childcare Supply

Table 1: Number of registered places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Number of registered places 2008	Number of registered places 2007
PVI's (Private, Voluntary and Independent sector including Children Centres)	391 (7 providers)	347
Childminders	35 (13 childminders)	67
Total	426	414
Children per place	3.00	3.06

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2007 and 2008; ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

Key Facts:

- Comparison of 2007 to 2008 data shows an increase in the number of PVI places available and a decrease in the number of childminder places. Overall there are less registered places than in 2008. The child per place ratio is slightly below the Lambeth average (3.3) and this indicates there may be sufficient places in the PVI and childminder sectors for 0-4 year olds.
- There are 66 full time equivalent places for 3-4 year olds in the maintained sector. There are 496 3-4 year olds living in Stockwell.
- 74 children are accessing their free entitlement in the PVI sector. 55 of these children are 3 years old and 19 are 4 years old

Figure 4: Location of PVI settings and Maintained schools with nursery classes (Jun 2009).

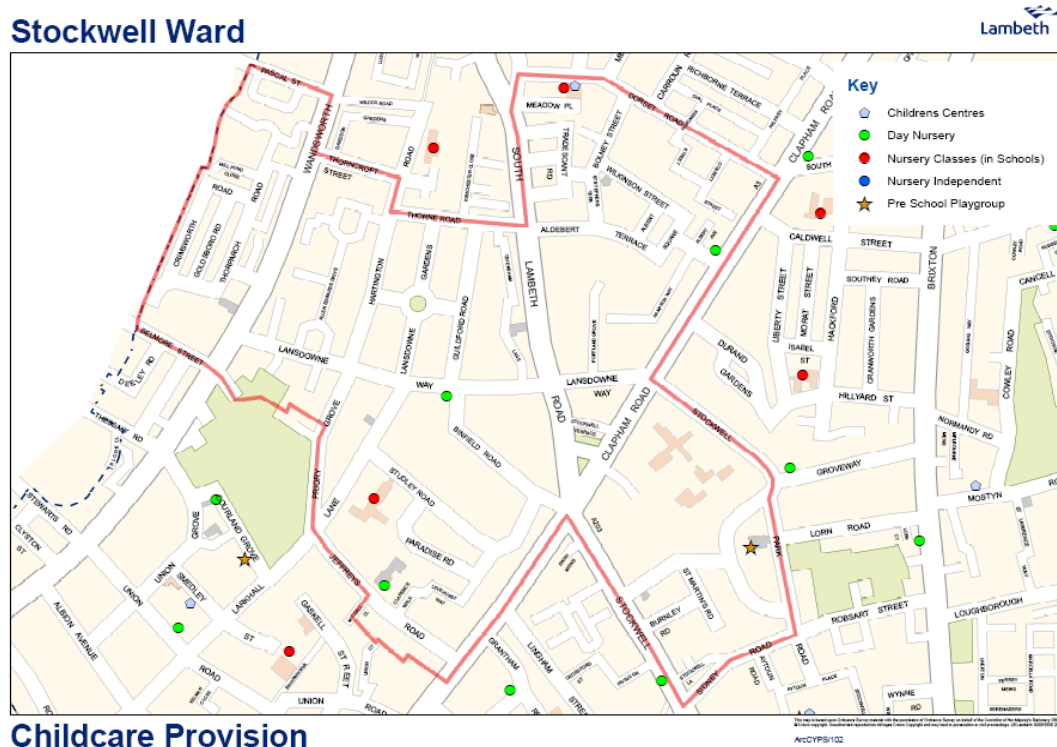


Table 2: Number of vacant places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Vacant places 2008	Vacant places (CSA 2007)
PVI	163	142
Childminder	35	43
Total	198	185

(ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

- Vacancies in the PVI sector have increased from 2007 to 2008 and vacancies in the childminder sector have decreased.
- Overall there is an increase of registered places and an increase of vacancies. Almost one half of all places are currently vacant. This indicates there may be an oversupply of places in the PVI and childminder sectors or that places are not currently meeting the needs of all parents

Registered places and vacancies 0-2

Registered places 0-2				Vacancies 0-2			
0	1	2	Total 0-2	0	1	2	Total 0-2
108	10	81	199	39	2	6	47

(ICHIS 2008)

- Half of all registered places in the PVI sector are for 0-2 year olds and nearly one third of all vacancies are for 0-2 year old places. This indicates the current places available for 0-2 year olds are not meeting the needs of all parents
- Of the available data, only one PVI provider caters for 0-5 year olds. The majority of childminders cater for the 0-5 year age group
- Based on available data, the earliest opening time in the PVI sector is 7am, and all open between 7.30am – 8.30am. The latest closing time was 7pm, with four providers closing between 6pm – 7pm
- In the childminder sector the earliest opening time was 7am, with nine childminders open by 8am. Closing times varied between 5pm – 10 pm. Two childminders stated flexibility with hours and three stated they were open on weekends
- Costs in the PVI sector range from £2 - £3 per hour. Costs in the PVI sector in Stockwell ward is average in comparison to some other wards, and less expensive than most other wards
- In the childminder sector costs ranged from £4.50 - £8 per hour, with an average of £5.50 per hour. The average cost per hour in Stockwell ward for childminders is close to the average cost of all Lambeth wards (£5.27).

Summary:

- There are particularly high numbers of 0-4 year olds living in this ward but there seems to be sufficient places in the PVI and childminders sectors (3.0 children per place). Overall there are 2.6 children per place which is close to the Lambeth average (2.4).
- High vacancies indicate available places are not currently meeting the needs of all parents, particularly for the 0-2 year age group. Further analysis of parents needs should be undertaken to better understand demand for childcare, and reduce vacancy rates in this ward
- From 2007 to 2008 there has been an increase in the number of children aged 5-14 years. Analysis of childcare for over 5's is needed to address supply and demand of childcare for this age group
- Investigating the needs of different ethnic groups, particularly the Black African and Portuguese populations may help marginalised groups to access childcare appropriate to their needs
- Although PVI and childminder costs for 0-4 year old provision is average compared to other wards, the large number of lone parents, a low average household income, and low uptake of the childcare element of working tax credit may be barriers to parents accessing childcare. Parents on low incomes may benefit from an increased awareness of the childcare element of working tax credit to assist them to access affordable childcare
- Investigating ways in which the PVI and childminder sectors can better accommodate flexible hours may be one way of meeting parents childcare needs, particularly for the high number of part time employees

Larkhall Ward

Factors Affecting Demand

Under 5's population:

0	1	2	Total 0-2	3	4	Total 3-4	Total 0-4
276	271	246	793	224	216	440	1233

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Over 5's population:

5	6	7	8	9	Total 5-9	10	11	12	13	14	Total 10-14	Total all
190	190	172	168	171	891	167	179	159	144	148	797	1688

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Key Facts:

- 6% of all Lambeth children under 5 live in Larkhall Hill ward. Compared to other wards in Lambeth, the number of children under 5 in Larkhall ward is higher than most other wards
- The number of children under 5 in Larkhall ward has increased from 1194 in 2007 to 1233 in 2008.
- The number of children 5-9 years has increased from 882 in 2007 to 891 in 2008. The number of 10-14 year olds has decreased from 807 in 2007 to 797 in 2008. This may indicate demand for childcare for 5-9 year olds may be stronger than for 10-14 year olds
- There are between 40-49 children 0-18 years with a disability on the ICOUNT Disability Register in Larkhall ward (1.01% - 1.25% of all 0-18 yr olds)
- Larkhall ward has a slightly lower than average household income compared to all wards in Lambeth (£640 compared to £664 Lambeth average)
- Larkhall has as an average number of part time employees and job seeker claimants in comparison to the rest of the Borough (7% and 5% respectively)
- There is a large number of lone parent households in Larkhall than in most other wards (15% compared to 12% Lambeth average)
- There is a smaller number of White British residents (43% compared to Lambeth 52%) and a larger number of Black African residents (16.3% compared to 10.8% whole Lambeth) and Portuguese residents to the Lambeth average (2.8% compared to Lambeth 1.5%)
- Almost 1 in 5 of all families in work in Larkhall ward benefit from the child care element of Working Tax Credit (WTC), including one third of lone parents (HMRC Child Tax Credit Statistics 2006-07). This is one of the highest take up rates across the borough

Under 5's Childcare Supply

Table 1: Number of registered places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Number of registered places 2008	Number of registered places 2007
PVI's (Private, Voluntary and Independent sector including Children Centres)	121 (6 providers)	164
Childminders	35 (13 childminders)	47
Total	156	211
Children per place	7.91	5.66

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2007 and 2008; ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

Key Facts:

- Comparison of 2007 to 2008 data shows a decrease in the number of PVI and childminder places available. Overall there are significantly less registered places than in 2007, and an increase in the number of actual children per place. Larkhall has a high child per place ratio compared to the Lambeth average (3.3) which indicates there are insufficient 0-4 places in this ward
- In the PVI sector there are 60 children accessing their free entitlement. 51 children accessing free entitlement are 3 years, and the remaining 9 children 4 years old
- There are 30 full time equivalent places for 3-4 year olds in the maintained sector.

Figure 5: Location of PVI settings and Maintained schools with nursery classes (Jun 2009).

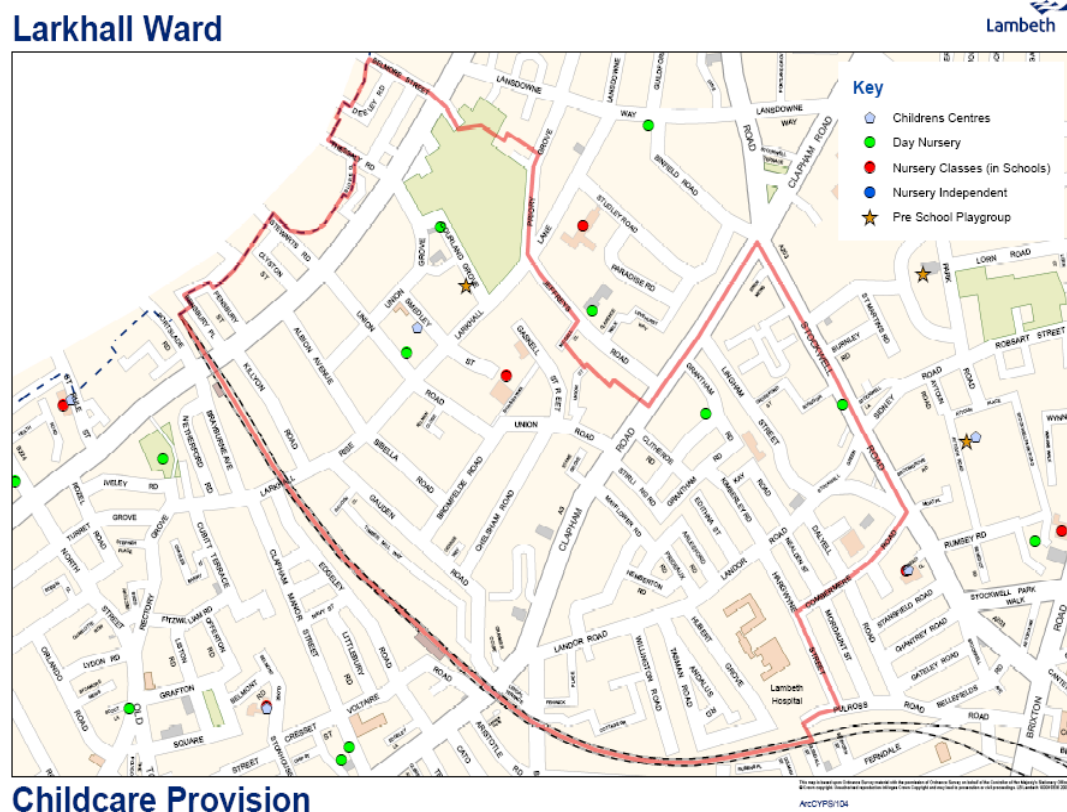


Table 2: Number of vacant places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Vacant places (2008 data)	Vacant places (CSA 2007)
PVI (Private, Voluntary and Independent sector including Children Centres)	56	58
Childminder	20	18
Total	76	76

(ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

- Vacancies in the PVI sector have decreased slightly whilst in the childminder sector vacancies have increased slightly
- Overall vacancies have remained stable in Larkhall ward. In 2008 almost half of all places are vacant
- With a decrease in the total number of PVI and childminder places the high vacancy rate indicates the current available places are not meeting needs of all parents

Registered places and vacancies 0-2 years

Registered places 0-2				Vacancies 0-2			
0	1	2	Total 0-2	0	1	2	Total 0-2
12	0	28	40	1	0	20	21

(ICHIS 2008)

- One third of all places in the PVI sector are for 0-2 year olds and more than a third of all vacancies are 0-2 year old places. This indicates that the number of available places are currently meeting demand for the 0-2 age group
- The majority of childminders also cater for the 0-5 age group
- Based on available PVI sector information, the earliest opening time was 8am, with 3 out of 6 providers open between 8am – 8.30am. The latest closing time was 6pm, with 3 closing between 5.30 – 6pm. Late opening times may be a contributing factor to the high number of vacancies
- In the childminder sector the earliest opening time was 7am, and all childminders opened between 7am – 10am. Closing times varied between 4pm – 10pm. 11 childminders were open until 6pm or later and one stated flexibility with hours available
- Costs in the PVI sector ranged from £1.60 - £4.50 per hour, which is an average in comparison to other wards in Lambeth
- The costs for childminders ranged from £4 - £8 per hour, with an average of £5.91 per hour. The average cost per hour in Larkhall ward for childminders is slightly higher than the average cost of all Lambeth wards (£5.27)

Summary:

- There are particularly high numbers of 0-4 year olds (1,233), but a low number of places in the PVI and Childminder sectors (7.9 children per place). The high ratio suggests there are insufficient places in these sectors. Overall the ratio falls slightly to 6.6 children per place but is still higher than the Lambeth average (2.4).
- High vacancy rates indicate the current places available are not meeting the needs of some parents. Further analysis of parents needs should be undertaken to better understand demand for childcare, and reduce vacancy rates in this ward
- Investigating the needs of different ethnic groups, particularly the Black Caribbean and Black African populations may help marginalised groups to access childcare appropriate to their needs
- Larkhall ward has a lower than Lambeth average of household income and a high number of lone parents. In addition the cost of childcare is similar or more expensive to most other wards. Parents on low incomes may benefit from an increased awareness of the childcare element of working tax credit to assist them to access affordable childcare. This may assist in reducing vacancy rates
- From 2007 to 2008 there has been an increase in the number of children aged 5-9 years. Analysis of childcare for over 5's is needed to address supply and demand of childcare for this age group

Vassall Ward

Factors Affecting Demand

Under 5's population:

0	1	2	Total 0-2	3	4	Total 3-4	Total 0-4
120	246	244	610	227	233	460	1070

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Over 5's population:

5	6	7	8	9	Total 5-9	10	11	12	13	14	Total 10-14	Total all
219	192	208	176	190	985	166	161	137	140	140	744	1729

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Key Facts:

- 6% of all Lambeth children under 5 live in Vassall ward. Compared to other wards in Lambeth, the number of children under 5 in Vassall ward is higher than most other wards
- The number of children 0-4 has decreased from 1168 in 2007 to 1070 in 2008
- The number of children aged 5-9 has increased from 963 in 2007 to 985 in 2008. Likewise the number of 10-14 year olds has increased from 741 in 2007 to 744 in 2008. This indicates there may be an increase in demand for childcare provision for the 5-14 age groups
- There are between 40-49 children with a disability 0-18 years on the ICount Disability Register in Vassall ward (1.01% - 1.25% of all 0-18 yr olds)
- Vassall ward has a lower than average household income compared to all wards in Lambeth (£540 compared to £664 Lambeth average). This is the second lowest average household income of all wards
- There is a large number of part time employees in comparison to the rest of the Borough (8% compared to 7%)
- There is a large number of lone parent households in comparison to most other Lambeth wards (17% compared to average 12%)
- There are large number of both Black Caribbean (17.4% compared to 10.5%) and Black African residents in comparison to the Lambeth average (17.6% compared to 10.8% Lambeth)
- There are a smaller number of people who are economically active compared to the Lambeth average (65.2% compared Lambeth 70.9%)
- There are a large number of job seeker claimants than across the Borough (6% compared to 4.8% average of all Lambeth wards)
- Almost one in four families in work in Vassall ward benefit from the child care element of Working Tax Credit (WTC), including more than one third of lone parents. This is the highest take up rate of all wards in Lambeth

Under 5's Childcare Supply

Table 1: Number of registered places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Number of registered places (2008 data)	Number of registered places (CSA 2007)
PVI's (Private, Voluntary and Independent sector including Children Centres)	253 (5 providers)	126
Childminders	81 (26 childminders)	86
Total	334	212
Children per place	3.21	5.51

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2007 and 2008; ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

Key Facts:

- Comparison of 2007 to 2008 data shows an increase in the number of PVI places available and a decrease in the number of childminder places. Overall there are more registered places than in 2007, and a decrease in the number of children per place. The child per place ratio is similar to the Lambeth average (3.3) and indicates sufficiency of registered places in the PVI and childminders sectors for 0-4 year olds in this ward
- 39 children are accessing their free entitlement in the PVI sector. Almost all of these children are 3 year olds (33)
- There are 215 full time equivalent places for 3-4 year olds in the maintained sector, a high number compared to the rest of the borough. This represents 47% of places for this age group.

Figure 6: Location of PVI settings and Maintained schools with nursery classes (Jun 2009).

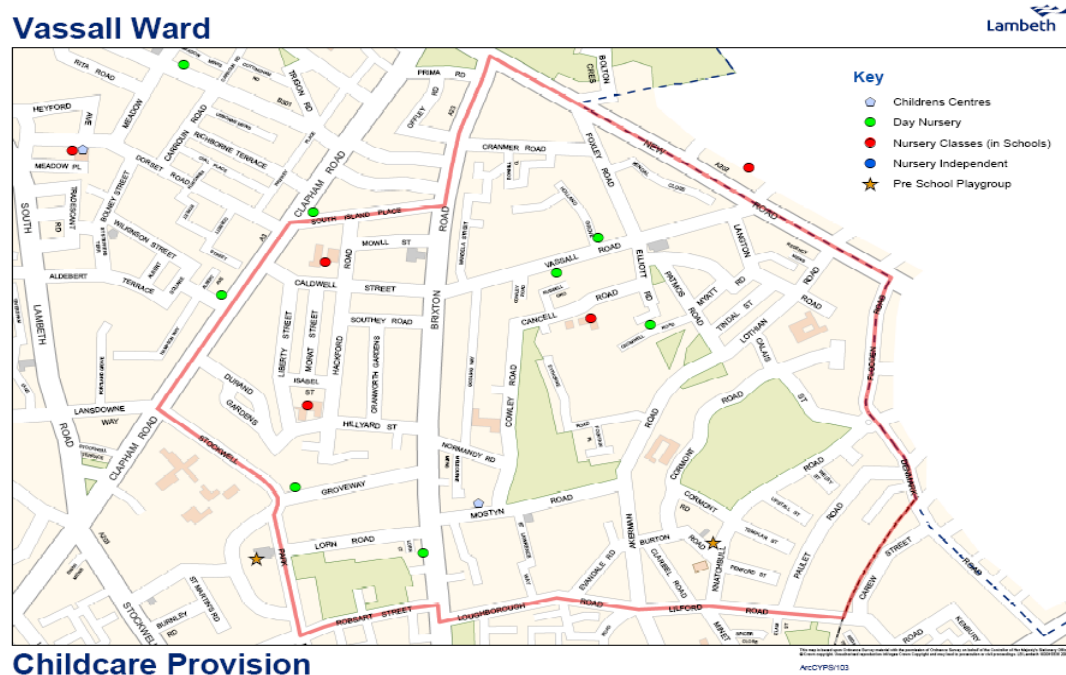


Table 2: Number of vacant places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Vacant places 2008	Vacant places (CSA 2007)
PVI (Private, Voluntary and Independent sector including Children Centres)	35	57
Childminder	45	38
Total	80	95

(ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

- Vacancies in the PVI sector have decreased and vacancies in the childminder sector have increased from 2007 to 2008. Currently one third of all places are vacant
- Overall there has been an increase in the number of registered places in Vassall ward, and a decrease in vacancies. This indicates there is demand for provision of childcare for 0-4 year olds in this ward.

PVI Registered places and vacancies 0-2

PVI Registered places 0-2				PVI Vacancies 0-2			
0	1	2	Total 0-2	0	1	2	Total 0-2
64	0	67	131	5	0	20	25

(ICHIS 2008)

- Half of all places in the PVI sector are for 0-2 year olds, and one in five of all vacancies are for 0-2 year old places. The low number of vacancies indicate there may be an ongoing demand for 0-2 places in the future
- In terms of age range two PVI providers cater for the 0-5 age group, and three cater for the 2-5 age group
- In the childminder sector 23 childminders cater for the 0-5 age group, and two cater for the 1-5 age group
- In the PVI sector only one PVI provider is open by 8am, the other three open at 9.30am. The latest closing time was 6.00pm, with only one provider open until 6pm. The other PVI providers closed at 3pm and 5.30pm
- In the childminder sector opening times varied between 6.30am – 9.00am. 19 childminders were open by 8am. Closing times varied between 5.00pm – 9.00pm, with 18 open until at least 6pm. Four childminders stated weekend care was available
- In the PVI sector cost per hour ranged from £2 - £6.80. This is average with most wards and more expensive than some wards
- In the childminder sector cost ranged from £4 - £7 per hour, with an average of £5.50 per hour. The average cost per hour in Vassall ward for childminders is similar to the average cost for all Lambeth wards (£5.27).

Summary:

- There are particularly high numbers of 0-4 year olds (1,070) in this ward. There seems to be sufficient number of places in the PVI and Childminder sectors (3.2 children per place). Overall the child per place ratio falls significantly to 1.9, which is lower than the Lambeth average (2.4).
- The low number of vacancies for 0-2 year olds may indicate an increase in demand for this age group
- A large number of job claimants and part time workers suggest flexibility of opening hours may be an important demand factor. Further analysis of parents needs should be undertaken to better understand demand for childcare, including the need for more flexible opening times
- There is a significant level of deprivation in Vassall ward. This indicates that cost of childcare may be a reason parents do not access childcare. Parents on low incomes may benefit from an increased awareness of the childcare element of working tax credit to assist them to access affordable childcare
- From 2007 to 2008 there has been an increase in the number of children aged 5-14 years. Analysis of childcare for over 5's is needed to address supply and demand of childcare for this age group

Coldharbour Ward

Factors Affecting Demand

Under 5's population:

0	1	2	Total 0-2	3	4	Total 3-4	Total 0-4
291	307	302	900	283	276	559	1459

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Over 5's population:

5	6	7	8	9	Total 5-9	10	11	12	13	14	Total 10-14	Total all
270	236	239	229	223	1197	218	233	243	213	198	1105	2302

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Key Facts:

- 7% of all Lambeth children under 5 live in Coldharbour ward. Coldharbour has the largest number of 0-2's, 3-4's and overall 0-4 population across Lambeth
- The number of children under 5 in Coldharbour ward has increased from 1452 in 2007 to 1459 in 2008
- In the 5-9 year age group there has been an increase from 1152 to 1197 children, and a decrease of 10-14 year olds from 1141 in 2007 to 1105 in 2008. This indicates there may be an increase in demand for childcare for 5-9 year olds
- There are between 50-59 children with a disability 0-18 yrs on the ICount Disability Register in Coldharbour ward (1.26% - 1.5% of all 0-18 yr olds)
- Coldharbour ward has the lowest average household income of all wards in Lambeth (£520 compared to £664 Lambeth average)
- There are a high number of part time employees in comparison to other wards (8.2% compared to Lambeth 7%)
- Coldharbour ward has the largest number of lone parent households across the Borough (19% compared to 12% average all Lambeth wards)
- There is a large number of Black Caribbean residents (21% compared to 10.5% whole Lambeth) and Black African residents (21% compared to 10.8% whole Lambeth) and a significantly lower number of White British residents (33% compared to 52% whole Lambeth)
- There is a low economic activity rate (66% compared to Lambeth 70.9%) and Coldharbour ward also has the largest number of job seeker claimants across the Borough (7% compared to 4.8% average of all Lambeth wards)
- One in five families in work in Coldharbour ward benefit from the child care element of Working Tax Credit (WTC), including 31% of lone parents. Coldharbour ward has a higher number of working families claiming the childcare element of working tax credit in comparison to other wards

Under 5's Childcare Supply

Table 1: Number of registered places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Number of registered places 2008	Number of registered places 2007
PVI's	352 (8 providers)	274
Childminders	34 (16 childminders)	116
Total	386	390
Children per place	3.78	3.73

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2007 and 2008; ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

Key Facts:

- Comparison of 2007 to 2008 data shows an increase in the number of PVI places and a significant decrease in childminder places. Overall there are slightly less registered places than in 2007, and a minor increase in the number of actual children per place. The children per place ratio is slightly higher than the Lambeth average (3.3) indicating there are sufficient places, or only a minor number of places needed
- It should be noted that data from 2007 and 2008 shows discrepancies in the division of ward data. This may mean that providers stated to be in Coldharbour ward in 2008 analysis may not have been in this ward in 2007 data analysis. Therefore the data cannot be used to form an accurate comparison of 2007 and 2008 data
- There are 70 children accessing their free entitlement in the PVI sector, with just under half taken up by 3 year olds, and just over half by 4 year olds
- There are 85 full time equivalent places for 3-4 year olds in the maintained sector.

Figure 7: Location of PVI settings and Maintained schools with nursery classes (Jun 2009).

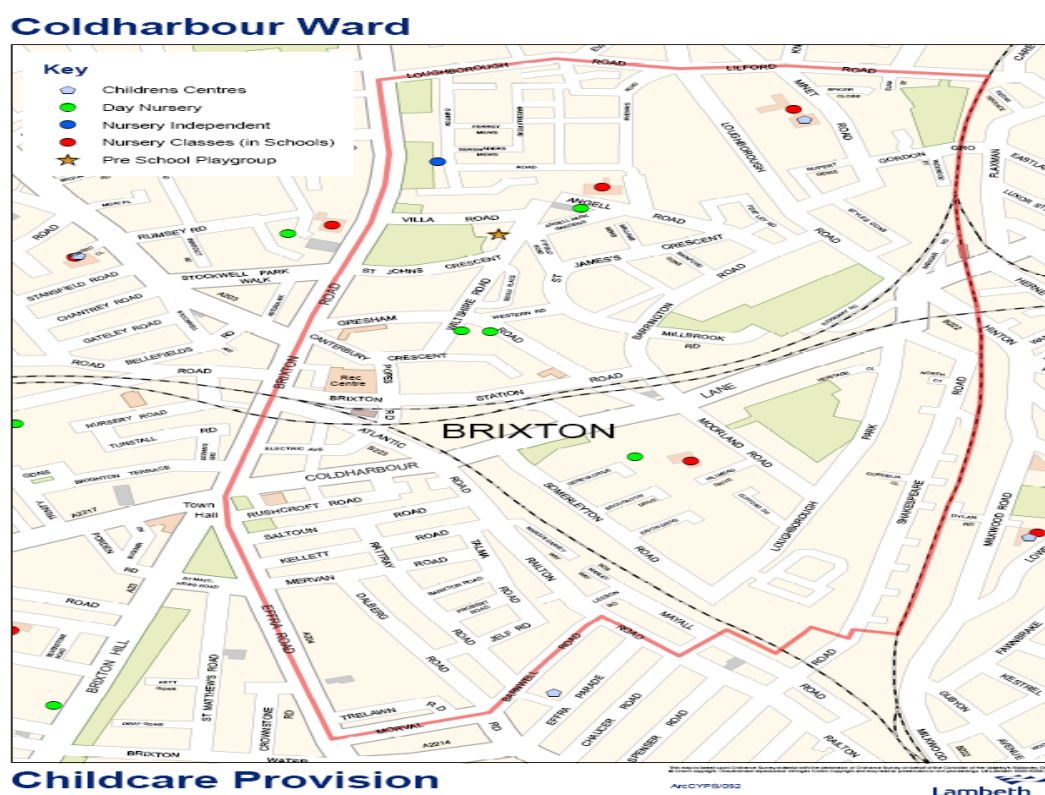


Table 2: Number of vacant places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Vacant places 2008	Vacant places (CSA 2007)
PVI	53	70
Childminder	20	54
Total	73	124

(ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

- There is a significant decrease in vacancies in the PVI and childminder sectors from 2007 to 2008
- Overall there has been a small decrease in the number of registered places in Coldharbour ward, and a large decrease in vacancies. Currently 1 in 5 places are vacant in the PVI and childminders sectors for 0-4 year olds. This may indicate demand for places in the future.

PVI Registered places and Vacancies 0-2 year olds

Registered places 0-2				Vacancies 0-2			
0	1	2	Total 0-2	0	1	2	Total 0-2
72	4	32	148	18	0	1	19

(ICHIS 2008)

- Just under half of all PVI and childminder places are for 0-2 year olds, and only one third of all vacancies are for the 0-2 year olds. This may indicate that there may be a demand for 0-2 year old places in the future
- Only 3 of the PVI providers cater for the 0-2 age group, whilst all childminders in the ward cater for the 0-5 age group
- The earliest opening time in the PVI sector is 7.30am, with 6 providers opening between 7.30am – 8.30am. The latest closing time was 6pm
- In the childminder sector opening times varied between 7am – 8.30am, and closing times varied between 5.00pm – 6.30pm. Five childminders stated flexible times and/or Saturday care was available
- Costs of childcare provision in the PVI sector ranged from £2.30 - £4 per hour. Based on costs of other wards, cost per hour in Coldharbour ward is average to most wards, and less expensive than some wards
- For childminder provision the cost ranged from £2.60 - £7 per hour, with an average of £5.13 per hour. The average cost per hour in Coldharbour ward for childminders is slightly lower than the average cost of all Lambeth wards.

Summary:

- Coldharbour has the highest number of 0-4 year olds in Lambeth (1,459). Demand for places is expected to remain high as there are 3.8 children per place in the PVI and Childminder sectors and 3.1 children per place overall. This compares the Lambeth average at 3.3 and 2.4 respectively.
- From 2007 to 2008 there has been an increase in the number of children aged 5-9 years. Analysis of childcare for over 5's is needed to address supply and demand of childcare for this age group
- Investigating the needs of different ethnic groups, particularly the Black Caribbean and Black African populations may help marginalised groups to access childcare appropriate to their needs
- Although PVI and childminder costs for 0-4 year old provision is lower than other wards, there is also a significant level of deprivation in Coldharbour ward. This indicates that cost of childcare may be a reason parents do not access childcare. Parents on low incomes may benefit from an increased awareness of the childcare element of working tax credit to assist them to access affordable childcare
- Investigating ways in which the PVI and childminder sectors can better accommodate flexible hours may be one way of meeting parents childcare needs, particularly for the large numbers of part time employees and people who are not in work, to help them access employment or training leading to employment

Ferndale Ward

Factors Affecting Demand:

Under 5's population:

0	1	2	Total 0-2	3	4	Total 3-4	Total 0-4
212	198	168	578	140	146	286	864

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Over 5's population:

5	6	7	8	9	Total 5-9	10	11	12	13	14	Total 10-14	Total all
135	120	132	112	111	610	118	105	107	98	101	529	1139

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Key Facts:

- The number of children under 5 in Ferndale ward has increased from 845 in 2007 to 864 in 2008
- Ferndale has a relatively low number of 3-4 year olds and overall 0-4 year olds in comparison to most other Lambeth wards.
- The number of 5-9 year olds has increased from 607 in 2007 to 610 in 2008. The number of 10-14 year olds has decreased from 540 in 2007 to 529 in 2008. This may indicate demand for childcare for over 5's is not as significant as in other wards
- There are between 20-29 children 0-18 years with a disability on the ICOUNT Disability Register in Ferndale ward (0.76% - 1% of all 0-18 yr olds)
- The majority of children in Ferndale are from White British, White Other, Black African, Black Caribbean and Black other backgrounds. Ferndale has the second largest number of children from a White other background, and this number is higher than the number of children from a White British background in Ferndale (165 White Other background compared to 135 White British). The majority of these children are from Portugal
- Ferndale has as a slightly higher than Lambeth average household income (£690 compared to £664)
- The number of part time employees, lone parent households and job seeker claimants in Ferndale is the same as the Lambeth average (7%, 12% and 5% respectively)
- 1 in 6 families in work in Ferndale ward benefit from the child care element of Working Tax Credit (WTC), including one quarter of lone parents (HMRC Child Tax Credit Statistics 2006-07). Ferndale ward has one of the smallest numbers of working families claiming the childcare element of working tax credit in comparison to other wards.

Under 5's Childcare Supply

Table 1: Number of registered places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Number of registered places (2008 data)	Number of registered places (CSA 2007)
PVI's (Private, Voluntary and Independent sector including Children Centres)	106 (5 providers)	88
Childminders	22 (11 childminders)	41
Total	128	129
Children per place (overall)	6.75	6.55

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2007 and 2008; ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

Key Facts:

- From 2007 to 2008 there is an increase in the number of PVI places available, and a decrease in the number of childminder places
- Overall there are almost the same number of registered places than in 2007, and an increase in the number of actual children per place because of an increase in 0-4 year olds
- Twenty children are accessing their free entitlement in the PVI sector. Almost all of these children are aged 3 years
- There are 76 full time equivalent places for 3-4 year olds in the maintained sector.

Figure 8: Location of PVI settings and Maintained schools with nursery classes (Jun 2009).

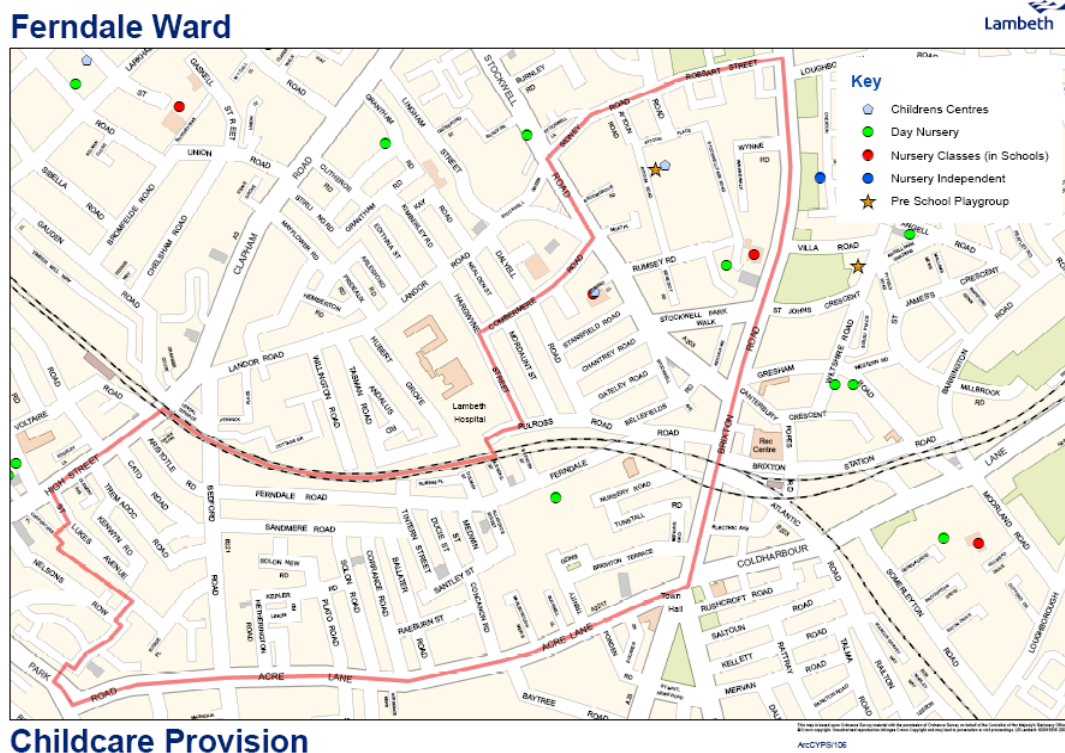


Table 2: Number of vacant places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Vacant places 2008	Vacant places (CSA 2007)
PVI	14	14
Childminder	16	16
Total	30	30

(ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

- Vacancies in the PVI sector and childminder sector in 2007 and 2008 remain the same. One quarter of all places are vacant
- Overall the number of registered places and the number of vacancies have remained the same. With an increase in the 0-4 population this indicates there may be a future increase in demand. The children per place ratio is higher than the Lambeth average (6.75 compared to 3.31) indicating there are less places available per child in Ferndale ward that there is across the borough

Table: Registered places and Vacancies 0-2

Registered places 0-2				Vacancies 0-2			
0	1	2	Total 0-2	0	1	2	Total 0-2
21	0	16	37	5	0	0	5

(ICHIS 2008)

- Half of all PVI providers cater for 0-2's. One third of all registered places in the PVI sector are for 0-2 years olds. Over one third of all vacancies are for 0-2 year old places. This may indicate that there are sufficient places for 0-2 year olds in Ferndale ward
- All childminders in Ferndale ward cater for the 0-5 age group
- The earliest opening time in the PVI sector is at 7.30am, with one provider opening at 8.00am and a preschool provider opening at 9am. The latest closing time was 7pm
- In the childminder sector opening times varied between 7am – 9.00am. 7 childminders were open by 8am. Closing times varied between 5.00pm – 7.00pm. Two childminders stated flexible times and one provider stated weekend care was available
- In the PVI sector costs per ranged from £2.60 - £3 per hour. Based on costs of other wards, cost per hour in Ferndale ward is average, and less expensive than most other wards
- In the childminder sector costs ranged from £4 - £7.50 per hour, with an average of £5.62 per hour. The average cost per hour in Ferndale ward for childminders is similar to the average cost of all Lambeth wards

Summary:

- The number of registered places for 0-4 year olds has remained the same, whilst the population has grown. The high children per place ratio indicates there may be insufficient places in this ward for 0-4 year olds
- The stable vacancy rates may indicate that current places available are not meeting needs of parents in this ward. Further analysis of parents' needs should be undertaken to better understand demand for childcare in this ward
- Investigating the needs of different ethnic groups, particularly the Black Caribbean, Black African, Black Other and Portuguese populations may help marginalised groups to access childcare appropriate to their needs
- Ferndale ward has a low uptake of families accessing the childcare element of working tax credit. Parents may benefit from an increased awareness of the childcare element of working tax credit to assist them to access affordable childcare. It is also important that the information is accessible to parents with diverse cultural needs given the large diversity of ethnic population groups in Ferndale ward. This may assist in reducing vacancy rates and hence lower demand
- Analysis of childcare for over 5's is needed to address supply and demand of childcare for this age group

Brixton Hill Ward

Factors Affecting Demand

Under 5's population:

0	1	2	Total 0-2	3	4	Total 3-4	Total 0-4
221	224	203	648	181	176	357	1005

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Over 5's population:

5	6	7	8	9	Total 5-9	10	11	12	13	14	Total 10-14	Total all
162	148	131	146	123	710	130	132	130	108	92	592	1302

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Key Facts:

- 5% of all Lambeth children under 5 live in Brixton Hill ward. Compared to other wards in Lambeth, the number of children under 5 in Brixton Hill ward is not significantly higher or lower
- From 2007 to 2008 the number of children under 5 in Brixton Hill ward has increased from 990 in 2007 to 1005 in 2008
- From 2007 to 2008 the number of 5-9 year olds and 10-14 year olds have increased slightly (695 to 710) and (587 to 592) respectively
- There are between 30-39 children 0-18 years with a disability on the ICOUNT Register of Disability in Brixton Hill ward (1.26% - 1.5% of all 0-18 yr olds)
- The largest numbers of children are from Black African, Black Caribbean or Black other backgrounds, and from White British and White Other backgrounds
- Brixton Hill ward has an average range of household income compared to other wards (£650 compared to £664 Lambeth average)
- The number of part time employees is average in comparison to other wards (equal to all wards in Lambeth average of 7%)
- 12% of all households are lone parent households. This is the same as the Lambeth average
- There is a smaller numbers of couples with dependent children compared to all wards in Lambeth (9.4% compared to Lambeth 12%)
- One quarter of all families in work in Brixton Hill ward benefit from the child care element of Working Tax Credit (WTC)., including 38% of lone parents Brixton Hill ward has one of the highest numbers of working families claiming the child care element of working tax credit.

Under 5's Childcare Supply

Table 1: Number of registered places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Number of registered places 2008	Number of registered places 2007
PVI's	79 (3 providers)	86
Childminders	78 (28 providers)	96
Total	157	182
Children per place	6.41	5.44

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2007 and 2008; ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

Key Facts:

- Comparison of 2007 to 2008 data shows a decrease in the number of PVI and childminder places, and an increase in the number of actual children per place. This shows there is less childcare available than in 2007 and indicates there may be demand for childcare for under 5's
- Children per place data shows that Brixton Hill has a high ratio of children per place in the PVI sector but a low ratio of children per place in the childminder sector, indicating there is a need for more places in PVI sector, but not in the childminder sector
- In the PVI sector there are 32 children accessing their free entitlement. 29 of these children are 3 years old and 3 children are 4 years old
- There are 202 full time equivalent places for 3-4 year olds in the maintained sector.
- It should be noted that data from 2007 and 2008 shows discrepancies in the division of ward data. This may mean that providers stated to be in Brixton Hill ward in 2008 analysis may not have been in this ward in 2007 data analysis. Therefore the data cannot be used to form an accurate comparison of 2007 and 2008 data in terms of sufficiency.

Figure 9: Location of PVI settings and Maintained schools with nursery classes (Jun 2009).



Table 2: Number of vacant places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Vacant places 2008	Vacant places (CSA 2007)
PVI	4	4
Childminder	25	22
Total	29	26

(ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

- PVI vacancies were the same in 2008 and 2007. There was a slight increase in vacancies for childminder places. One in five of all registered places are vacant in 2008
- Overall there has been a decrease in the number of registered places in Brixton Hill ward, but still a small number of vacancy increases. This may indicate that there is demand for places in this ward but the needs of some parents are currently not being met.

Registered places 0-2 years				Vacancies 0-2 years				
0	1	2	Total 0-2		0	1	2	Total 0-2
0	0	0	0		4	0	5	9

- Approximately 1 in 10 registered places in the PVI sector are for 0-2 year olds. There are currently no vacancies for 0-2 year old places in the PVI sector. This may indicate a demand for 0-2 year old places
- It should be noted that an accurate breakdown of 0-2 year old places in the childminder sector was not available, but a high number of childminder places may indicate there is a larger supply for 0-2 year olds in the childminder sector
- One out of three PVI providers cater for the 0-2 age group, the other two PVI providers cater for the 2-5 age group. All childminders catered for 0-5 age group
- In the PVI sector, the earliest opening time was 8am, and the latest closing time was 6pm. Two sessional care providers open between 8.30 - 5.30pm and 9.30am – 12.30pm
- In the childminder sector all providers open between 7am – 8.00am. Closing times varied between 5pm – 6.30pm. One childminder stated flexible hours were available
- The cost per hour in the PVI sector ranged from £2.50 - £3 per hour. This is less expensive than most other wards
- The range of costs per hour in the childminder sector was £3 - £7.50, with an average of £4.92 per hour. The average cost per hour in Brixton Hill ward for childminders is slightly lower than the average cost of all Lambeth wards
- Cost per hour data indicates that Brixton Hill ward has some of the least expensive childcare for 0-4 year olds across Lambeth

- There appears to be insufficient places for the numbers of children in this ward, particularly for 0-2 year old places in the PVI sector
- Further analysis of the childminder sector is needed to investigate whether provision of places for 0-2 year olds is adequate to meet demand
- Further analysis of parents needs should be undertaken to better understand parent's needs in accessing childcare, and reduce vacancy rates in this ward
- Investigating the needs of different ethnic groups, particularly the Black Caribbean population may help marginalised groups to access childcare appropriate to their needs
- Investigating ways in which the PVI and childminder sector can better accommodate flexible hours may be one way of meeting parents childcare needs, particularly for the high number of part time employees
- From 2007 to 2008 there has been an increase in the number of children aged 5-14 years. Analysis of childcare for over 5's is needed to address supply and demand of childcare for this age group

Tulse Hill Ward

Factors Affecting Demand

Under 5's population:

0	1	2	Total 0-2	3	4	Total 3-4	Total 0-4
115	238	229	582	221	221	442	1024

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Over 5's population:

5	6	7	8	9	Total 5-9	10	11	12	13	14	Total 10-14	Total all
204	194	190	171	170	929	174	179	161	146	144	804	1733

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Key Facts:

- 5% of all Lambeth children under 5 live in Tulse Hill ward. Compared to other wards in Lambeth, the number of children under 5 in Tulse Hill ward is not significantly higher or lower
- From 2007 to 2008 there was a decrease of children 0-4 years, from 1133 to 1024
- From 2007 to 2008 there was an increase in children aged 5-9 years and 10-14 years, from 923 to 929, and from 789 to 804 respectively
- There are between 40-49 children with a disability 0-18 years on the ICOUNT Register of Disability in Tulse Hill ward (1.26% - 1.5% of all 0-18 yr olds)
- Tulse Hill has a lower than average household income compared to all wards in Lambeth (£590 compared to £664 Lambeth average)
- There is an average number of part time employees in comparison to the rest of the Borough (7.5% compared to 7%)
- There is a small number of lone parent households in comparison to most other Lambeth wards (16% compared to average 12%).
- Tulse Hill has a large number of Black Caribbean residents compared to the Lambeth average (16% compared to 10.5%)
- There is a large number of job seeker claimants in comparison to the rest of the borough (6% compared to 4.8% average of all Lambeth wards), Tulse Hill and Vassall have the largest number of claimants in comparison to all other wards
- 18% of all families in work in Tulse Hill ward benefit from the child care element of Working Tax Credit (WTC), including nearly one third of lone parents. This is a high take up rate across the borough

Under 5's Childcare Supply

Table 1: Number of registered places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Number of registered places 2008	Number of registered places 2007
PVI's (Private, Voluntary and Independent sector including Children Centres)	157 (7 providers)	145
Childminders	64 (28 childminders)	59
Total	221	204
Children per place	4.64	5.56

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2007 and 2008; ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

Key Facts:

- Comparison of 2007 to 2008 data shows an increase in the number of PVI and childminder places. Overall there are more registered places than in 2007, and a decrease in the number of actual children per place. The child per place ratio is higher than the Lambeth average (3.3) and indicates there may be insufficient places in this ward
- There are 22 children accessing their free entitlement in the PVI sector, 16 are 3 year olds and six are 4 year olds
- There are 25 full time equivalent places for 3-4 year olds in the maintained sector.

Figure 10: Location of PVI settings and Maintained schools with nursery classes (Jun 2009).

Tulse Hill Ward

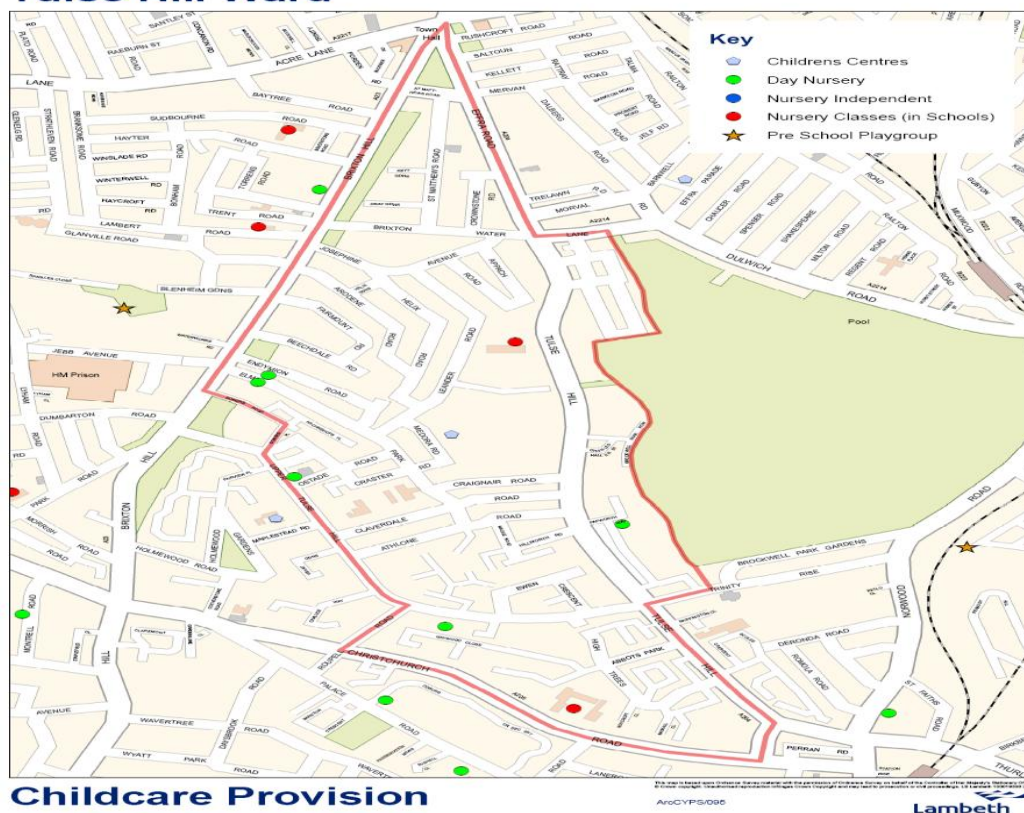


Table 2: Number of vacant places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Vacant places 2008	Vacant places (CSA 2007)
PVI (Private, Voluntary and Independent sector including Children Centres)	43	82
Childminder	35	24
Total	78	106

(ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

- Vacancies in the PVI sector have decreased and vacancies in the childminder sector have increased from 2007 to 2008. One third of all places are currently vacant in 2008
- Overall there are more places than in 2007 and less vacancies, indicating high demand for 0-4 year old places. Vacancy rates may indicate current available places are not meeting the needs of all parents.

Registered places and vacancies 0-2

Registered places 0-2					Vacancies 0-2			
0	1	2	Total 0-2		0	1	2	Total 0-2
43	11	68	122		11	0	26	37

(ICHIS 2008)

- Three quarters of all places in the PVI sector are for 0-2 year olds, and four out of five of all vacancies are for 0-2 year old places. This may indicate an oversupply of places for 0-2 years or that places available are currently not meeting the needs of all parents
- In terms of age range, five PVI providers cater for the 0-2 age group, two cater for the 2-5 age group
- Of the 13 childminders with data available, 12 cater for the 0-5 age group, one caters for the 2-5 age group
- Opening times for PVI providers range mostly from 8am – 6pm
- In the childminder sector opening times varied between 6.30 – 8.30am. 11 childminders were open by 8am. Closing times varied between 5.00pm – 6.30pm. Three childminders stated flexible, evening or weekend care was available
- Costs in the PVI sector ranged from £2.60 - £6.50 per hour. This is on average with most wards and more expensive than some wards
- In the childminder sector costs range from £5 - £10.50 per hour, with an average of £6.85 per hour. The average cost per hour in Tulse Hill ward for childminders is higher than the average cost for all Lambeth wards (£5.27), and the most expensive average per hour cost of all Lambeth wards.

Summary:

- The number of children per place (4.6) in Tulse Hill indicates there may be insufficient places for 0-4 year olds. Overall the ratio (4.2) is significantly higher than the Lambeth average (2.4).
- Vacancy rates indicate current places available may not be meeting the needs of parents. Further analysis of parents needs should be undertaken to better understand demand for childcare, and reduce vacancy rates in this ward
- Further analysis of the needs of parents with 0-2 year olds is needed to look at demand for places and needs of this particular group
- High costs of childcare, as well as a low average household income and a large number of people receiving benefits may be impacting on parents access to childcare. Parents on low incomes may benefit from an increased awareness of the childcare element of working tax credit to assist them to access affordable childcare. This may assist in reducing vacancy rates
- Limited flexibility in opening hours may also be contributing to vacancy rates. Further investigation of parents needs in regard to opening hours may assist in meeting parent's need, particularly for parents who need flexible hours to access work opportunities or training leading to work.

Herne Hill Ward

Factors Affecting Demand

Under 5's population:

0	1	2	Total 0-2	3	4	Total 3-4	Total 0-4
231	230	215	676	199	191	390	1066

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Over 5's population:

5	6	7	8	9	Total 5-9	10	11	12	13	14	Total 10-14	Total all
175	164	139	136	146	760	154	128	139	137	135	693	1453

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Key Facts:

- 6% of all Lambeth children under 5 live in Herne Hill ward. Compared to other wards in Lambeth, the number of children under 5 in Herne Hill ward is higher than most other wards
- The number of children 0-4 years in Herne Hill ward has increased from 1058 in 2007 to 1066 in 2008
- The number of 5-9 year and 10-14 year olds have increased from 754 in 2007 to 760 in 2008, and 675 in 2007 to 693 in 2008 respectively
- There are between 20-29 children 0-18 years with a disability on the ICOUNT Disability Register in Herne Hill ward (0.76% - 1.% of all 0-18 yr olds)
- Herne Hill has a higher than average household income compared to all wards in Lambeth (£680 compared to £664 Lambeth average)
- The number of part time employees and job seeker claimants in Herne Hill is similar to the borough average (7.9% compared to Lambeth 7%, and 5% compared to Lambeth 4.8%) respectively
- Herne Hill has a smaller number of lone parent households than most other wards (11% compared to 12%)
- There is a slightly large number of Black Caribbean residents (13% compared to 10.5% whole Lambeth)
- Approximately 1 in 6 of all families in work in Herne Hill ward benefit from the child care element of Working Tax Credit (WTC), including one third of lone parents (HMRC Child Tax Credit Statistics 2006-07). This is a similar take up rate to the Lambeth average

Under 5's Childcare Supply

Table 1: Number of registered places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Number of registered places 2008	Number of registered places 2007
PVI's (Private, Voluntary and Independent sector including Children Centres)	180 (4 providers)	216
Childminders	61 (26 childminders)	53
Total	241	269
Children per place (overall)	4.43	3.94

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2007 and 2008; ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

Key Facts:

- Comparison of 2007 to 2008 data shows a decrease in the number of PVI and childminder places. Overall there are significantly less registered places than in 2007, and an increase in the number of actual children per place. The ratio of children per place is higher than the Lambeth average (3.3) indicating there may be insufficient places in this ward
- 64 of the PVI registered places are free entitlement places, taken up by 50 3 year olds and 14 4 year olds
- There are 165 full time equivalent places for 3-4 year olds in the maintained sector. There are 2.4 (3-4 year olds) children per place for every maintained sector place. This represents 42% places for all 3-4 year olds in the ward.

Figure 11: Location of PVI settings and Maintained schools with nursery classes (Jun 2009).

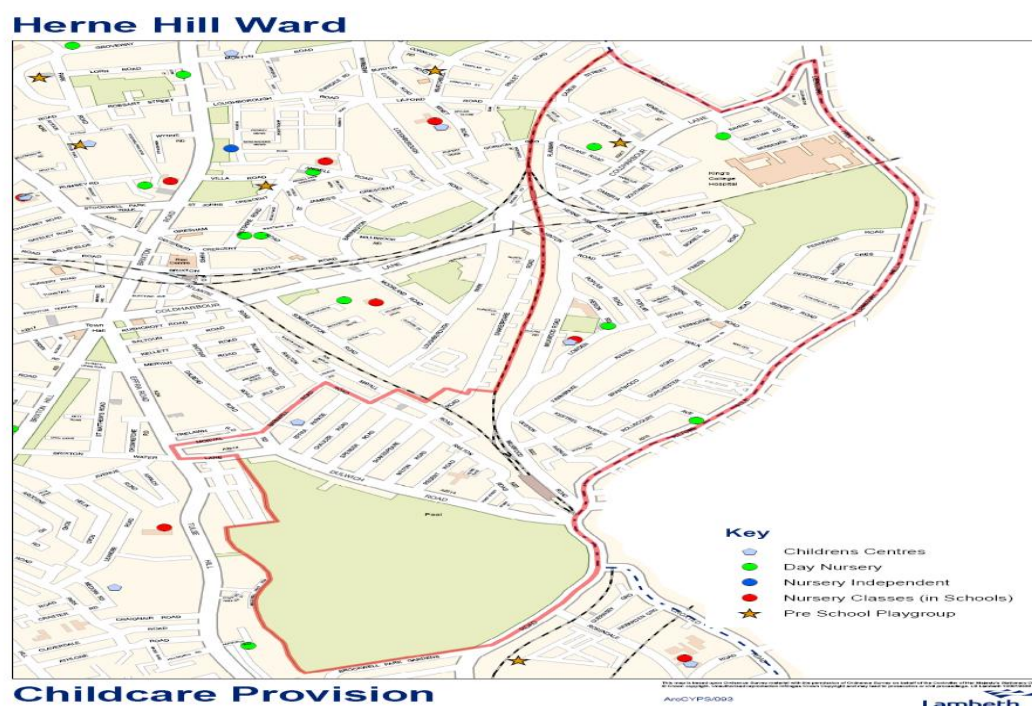


Table 2: Number of vacant places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Vacant places 2008	Vacant places (CSA 2007)
PVI	18	14
Childminder	27	16
Total	45	30

(ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

- Vacancies in the PVI and childminders sectors have increased from 2007 to 2008. One quarter of all registered places in the PVI and childminders sectors are currently vacant
- Overall there has been a decrease in the number of registered places available in Herne Hill ward, and a small number of vacancy increases. This may indicate that the places currently available are not meeting the needs of all parents

PVI Registered places and Vacancies 0-2 year olds

PVI Registered places 0-2				Vacancies 0-2			
0	1	2	Total 0-2	0	1	2	Total 0-2
53	0	60	113	5	0	0	5

(ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

- Nearly two thirds of all PVI places are for 0-2 year olds and just over one quarter of all vacancies are 0-2 year old places. This is a low number compared to other wards, and with one of the largest 0-2 populations across the borough there may be an increase in the demand for 0-2 places in the future
- Half of the PVI providers and almost all the childminder providers in Herne Hill ward cater for 0-2 year olds
- In the PVI sector opening times varied from 7am – 9.30am. The latest closing time is 6pm
- All Childminders open between 6.00am – 9.00am. Two childminders opened between 6am – 6.30am, and 20 providers open by 8am. Closing times varied between 5.00pm – 10.00pm, with six childminders remaining open until at least 6pm – 10pm. One childminder stated flexible times on Saturdays
- In the PVI sector cost of childcare ranged from £3.20 - £5 per hour. Cost per hour in Herne Hill ward is similar to most other wards
- Costs for childminder care ranged from £3.75 - £7 per hour, with an average of £5.09 per hour. The average cost per hour in Herne Hill ward for childminders is close to the average cost of all Lambeth wards (£5.27)

Summary:

- The high number of children per place for 0-4 year olds indicates there may be insufficient places in the PVI and Childminder sectors which is higher than the Lambeth average (3.3). However overall there are 2.6 children per place which is similar to the Lambeth average (2.4). There are 390 (3-4 year olds) in this ward and the maintained sector provides just over 40% of places for this age group.
- An increase of vacancies suggests the current available places are not meeting the needs of all parents. Further investigation is needed to ensure existing places meet the needs of parents, particularly for 0-2 year olds
- Herne Hill ward has a slightly higher than Lambeth average of household income. In addition the cost of childcare is similar to most other wards and the take up of the childcare element of working tax credit is similar to the average rates across Lambeth. Parents on low incomes may benefit from an increased awareness of the childcare element of working tax credit to assist them to access affordable childcare. This may assist in reducing vacancy rates
- From 2007 to 2008 there has been an increase in the number of children aged 5-14 years. Analysis of childcare for over 5's is needed to address supply and demand of childcare for this age group

Thurlow Park Ward

Factors Affecting Demand

Under 5's population:

0	1	2	Total 0-2	3	4	Total 3-4	Total 0-4
96	172	153	421	125	115	240	661

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Over 5's population:

5	6	7	8	9	Total 5-9	10	11	12	13	14	Total 10-14	Total all
105	94	92	95	108	494	98	109	105	100	104	516	1010

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Key Facts:

- The number of children under 5 in Thurlow Park ward has decreased from 733 in 2007 to 661 in 2008
- The number of children 5-9 has remained the same (494) and the number of 10-14 year olds has decreased from 531 in 2007 to 516 in 2008.
- Decreased numbers of the 0-14 age group suggests a lower demand for childcare provision than in other wards
- There are between 20-29 children with a disability 0-18 years on the ICOUNT Disability Register in Thurlow Park ward (1.01% - 1.25% of all 0-18 yr olds)
- Thurlow Park ward has a high average household income compared to all wards in Lambeth (£740 compared to £664 Lambeth average)
- There is an average number of part time employees in comparison to the rest of the Borough (7.8% compared to 7%)
- There is a small number of lone parent households in comparison to most other Lambeth wards (9% compared to average 12%)
- There is a large number of couples with dependent children (14.7% compared to Lambeth 12%)
- There are a larger number of job seeker claimants than across the Borough (4% compared to 4.8% average of all Lambeth wards)
- 17% of all families in work in Thurlow Park ward benefit from the child care element of Working Tax Credit (WTC), including nearly one third of lone parents. This is high take up rate compared to the Lambeth average

Under 5's Childcare Supply

Table 1: Number of registered places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Number of registered places 2008	Number of registered places 2007
PVI's (Private, Voluntary and Independent sector including Children Centres)	664 (10 providers)	506
Childminders	17 (17 childminders)	45
Total	681	551
Children per place	0.97	1.33

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2007 and 2008; ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

Key Facts:

- Comparison of 2007 to 2008 data shows an increase in the number of PVI places and a decrease in the number of childminder places. Overall there are more registered places than in 2007, and a decrease in the number of children per place. The child per place ratio indicates there is an oversupply of places in this ward
- 289 children access their free entitlement, including 174 3 year olds and 115 4 year olds
- There are 26 full time equivalent places for 3-4 year olds in the maintained sector.

Figure 12: Location of PVI settings and Maintained schools with nursery classes (Jun 2009).

Thurlow Park Ward

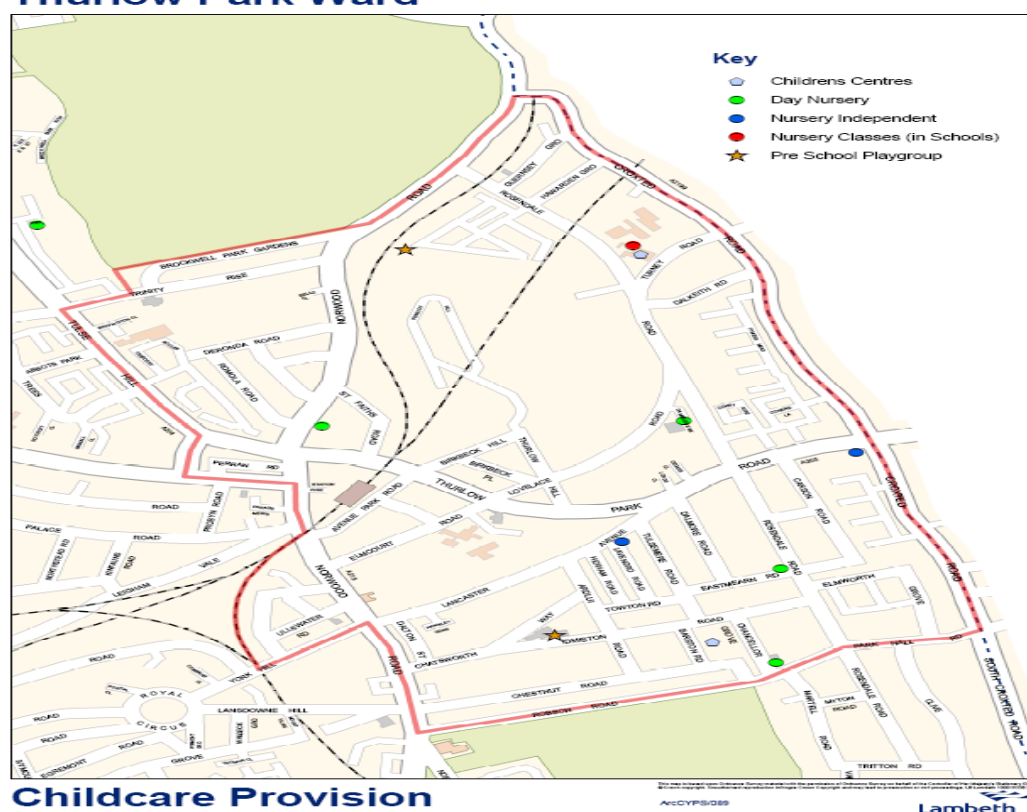


Table 2: Number of vacant places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Vacant places 2008	Vacant places (CSA 2007)
PVI (Private, Voluntary and Independent sector including Children Centres)	47	25
Childminder	23	28
Total	70	53

(ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

- Vacancies in the PVI sector have increased and vacancies in the childminder sector have decreased from 2007 to 2008
- Currently one quarter of all places are vacant. Overall there are more vacancies than in 2007; however the number of vacancies remains small. This indicates that there are a large number of children outside of this ward that access childcare in this ward. Therefore the child per place ratio should not be used as the main indicator of supply in this ward

Registered places and vacancies 0-2

Registered places 0-2				Vacancies 0-2			
0	1	2	Total 0-2	0	1	2	Total 0-2
74	15	59	148	20	0	0	20

(ICHIS 2008)

- One quarter of places in the PVI sector are 0-2 year old places, and one in six of all vacancies are for 0-2 year old places. This indicates there are a small number of places available for 0-2's and a low number of vacancies showing a demand for 0-2 childcare provision in this ward
- Of the eight providers with available data, four PVI providers cater for the 0-5 age group, three cater for the 2-5 age group and one caters for the 3-5 age group
- Of the 4 childminders with data available, all cater for the 0-5 age group
- In the PVI sector opening times ranged from 7.30am – 9.45am. Five providers are open by 8am. The latest closing time was 6.30pm, with six providers staying open until at least 6pm
- In the childminder sector opening times varied between 8.00 – 9.00am. Closing times varied between 5.00pm – 6.00pm. One childminder stated weekend care was available
- Costs in the PVI sector ranged from £3.10 - £5.45 per hour. This is on average with most wards and more expensive than some wards in Lambeth
- Costs in the childminder sector ranged from £4 - £6 per hour, with an average of £4.84 per hour. The average cost per hour in Thurlow Park ward for childminders is lower than the average cost for all Lambeth wards (£5.27).

Summary:

- There are 661 children in this ward for the 0-4 age group and there is 1 child per place in the PVI and Childminder sector. This suggests over supply of places. Overall the number of places available drops further to 0.9 compared to the Lambeth average (2.4)
- The low number of vacancies suggests that there is a demand for childcare in this ward, particularly for 0-2 year olds. Further analysis of parents needs should be undertaken to better understand demand for childcare for parents who reside in this ward and outside
- For 0-4 years olds, PVI and childminder opening times show that most providers are open 'typical' working hours and there is limited flexibility in both sectors for flexible hours. Further analysis of the need for flexible opening times may assist in understanding parents needs in accessing childcare
- Analysis of childcare for over 5's is needed to address supply and demand of childcare for this age group

Gipsy Hill Ward

Factors Affecting Demand

Under 5's population:

0	1	2	Total 0-2	3	4	Total 3-4	Total 0-4
222	217	194	633	182	177	359	992

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Over 5's population:

5	6	7	8	9	Total 5-9	10	11	12	13	14	Total 10-14	Total all
163	162	173	153	154	805	178	160	163	151	181	833	1638

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Key Facts:

- 5% of all Lambeth children under 5 live in Gipsy Hill ward. This not significantly higher or lower to other wards in Lambeth
- The number of children under 5 in Gipsy Hill ward has increased from 974 in 2007 to 992 in 2008
- The number of children 5-9 years has decreased from 827 in 2007 to 805 in 2008, and the number of 10-14 year olds has increased from 829 in 2007 to 833 in 2008. This may indicate an increase in demand for childcare for 10-14 years may be stronger than for 5-9 year olds
- There are between 40-49 children 0-18 years with a disability on the ICOUNT Disability Register in Gipsy Hill ward (1.26% - 1.5% of all 0-18 yr olds)
- Gipsy Hill has a lower than average household income compared to all wards in Lambeth (£610 compared to £664)
- Has a large number of part time employees (8% compared to Lambeth 7%), a large number of lone parent households than most other wards (15% compared to 12%) and a similar number of job seeker claimants to the rest of the Borough (5% compared to 4.8%)
- Has large numbers of Black Caribbean residents (14% compared to 10.5% whole Lambeth) and a smaller number of Black African residents (8% compared to 10.8% whole Lambeth)
- 17% of all families in work in Gipsy Hill ward benefit from the child care element of Working Tax Credit (WTC), including nearly one third of lone parents (HMRC Child Tax Credit Statistics 2006-07). The number of claimants in Gipsy Hill ward is similar to the Lambeth average

Under 5's Childcare Supply

Table 1: Number of registered places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Number of registered places 2008	Number of registered places 2007
PVI's (Private, Voluntary and Independent sector including Children Centres)	208 (4 providers)	208
Childminders	51 (19 childminders)	64
Total	259	272
Children per place	3.83	3.58

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2007 and 2008; ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

Key Facts:

- Comparison of 2007 to 2008 data shows the same number of PVI places available, and a decrease in the number of childminder places. Overall there are less registered places than in 2007, and an increase in the number of children per place. The children per place ratio remains similar to the Lambeth average (3.3) indicating there are sufficient places for 0-4 year olds in Gipsy Hill ward
- 86 of the PVI registered places are free entitlement places. These places are taken up by 71 3 year olds and 15 4 year olds
- There are 111 full time equivalent places for 3-4 year olds in the maintained sector. This ward has 359 (3-4 year olds) and the number of maintained sector places represents about 31% of places for this age group.

Figure 13: Location of PVI settings and Maintained schools with nursery classes (Jun 2009).



Table 2: Number of vacant places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Vacant places 2008	Vacant places (CSA 2007)
PVI	43	28
Childminder	19	21
Total	62	49

(ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

- Vacancies in the PVI sector have increased from 2007 to 2008. Vacancies in the childminder sector has decreased slightly from 2007
- One third of all registered places in the PVI and childminder sector are currently vacant. Overall there has been a decrease in the number of registered places and an increase in vacancies. This may indicate that the current places available are not meeting the needs of all parents who need to access them

Registered places and Vacancies 0-2

Registered places 0-2				Vacancies 0-2			
0	1	2	Total 0-2	0	1	2	Total 0-2
133	0	3	136	17	0	0	17

(ICHIS 2008)

- Two thirds of all PVI registered places are for 0-2 year olds. Nearly half of all vacancies are 0-2 year olds places
- Three of the four PVI providers cater for the 0-5 age group, one caters for the 2-5 age group. In the childminder sector 17 childminders catered for the 0-5 age group
- The earliest opening time in the PVI sector is 7.30am, with all providers open by 8.00am. The latest closing time was 7pm, with three providers closing between 6pm – 7pm
- All childminders open between 7.15am – 8.00am. Closing times varied between 5.00pm – 7.00pm. Three childminders stated flexible times are available
- In the PVI sector the cost ranged from £3.40 - £5 per hour. Cost per hour in the PVI sector in Gipsy Hill ward is average to most wards, and more expensive than some wards
- In the childminder sector costs ranged from £4 - £6.50 per hour, with an average of £4.98 per hour. The average cost per hour in Gipsy Hill ward for childminders is slightly below the average cost of all Lambeth wards (£5.27)

Summary:

- The number of children per place (3.8) in Gipsy Hill indicates there are sufficient places for 0-4 year olds in the PVI and Childminder sectors. Overall the number of children per place reduces to 2.7, which is slightly higher than the Lambeth average (2.4).
- An increase in vacancy rates indicates current places available may not be meeting the needs of parents. Further analysis of parents needs should be undertaken to better understand demand for childcare, and assist to reduce vacancy rates in this ward
- Although PVI and childminder costs for 0-4 year old provision is similar to or lower than other wards, there is also a significant level of deprivation in Gipsy Hill ward. This indicates that cost of childcare may be a reason parents do not access childcare. Parents on low incomes may benefit from an increased awareness of the childcare element of working tax credit to assist them to access affordable childcare
- Investigating ways in which the PVI and childminder sector can better accommodate flexible hours may be one way of meeting parents childcare needs, particularly for the large number of part time employees and people who are not in work, to help them access employment or training leading to employment
- Investigating the needs of different ethnic groups, particularly the Black Caribbean and Black African populations may help marginalised groups to access childcare appropriate to their needs
- From 2007 to 2008 there has been an increase in the number of children aged 10-14 years. Analysis of childcare for over 5's is needed to address supply and demand of childcare for this age group

Knight's Hill Ward

Factors Affecting Demand

Under 5's population:

0	1	2	Total 0-2	3	4	Total 3-4	Total 0-4
230	251	251	732	246	261	507	1239

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Over 5's population:

5	6	7	8	9	Total 5-9	10	11	12	13	14	Total 10-14	Total all
250	226	226	211	190	1103	193	171	155	159	158	836	1939

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Key Facts:

- 6% of all Lambeth children under 5 live in Knight's Hill ward. Compared to other wards in Lambeth, the number of children under 5 in Knight's Hill ward is higher than most other wards
- The number of children 0-4 years in Knight's Hill ward has decreased from 1247 in 2007 to 1239 in 2008
- The number of 5-9 year olds and 10-14 year olds have increased from 2007 to 2008 (1074 to 1103, and 813 to 836 respectively)
- There are between 30-39 children 0-18 years with a disability on the ICOUNT Disability Register in Knight's Hill ward (0.76% - 1.% of all 0-18 yr olds)
- Knight's Hill ward has a slightly lower than average household income of all wards in Lambeth (£640 compared to £664 Lambeth average)
- The number of part time employees and job seeker claimants are similar to the Lambeth averages (8.4% compared to Lambeth 7%, and (5% compared to 4.8% Lambeth) respectively
- There are larger numbers lone parent households than in most other wards (14% compared to 12%)
- One in five families in work in Knight's Hill ward benefit from the child care element of Working Tax Credit (WTC), including one third of lone parents (HMRC Child Tax Credit Statistics 2006-07). Knight's Hill ward has one of the highest take up rates in comparison to other wards

Under 5's Childcare Supply

Table 1: Number of registered places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Number of registered places 2008	Number of registered places 2007
PVI's (Private, Voluntary and Independent sector including Children Centres)	246 (3 providers)	133
Childminders	94 (35 childminders)	125
Total	340	258
Children per place	3.62	4.84

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2007 and 2008; ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

Key Facts:

- Comparison of 2007 to 2008 data shows an increase in the number of PVI places available and a decrease in the number of childminder places. Overall there are more registered places than in 2007, and a decrease in the number of children per place. Knight's Hill ward has a child per place ratio in 2008 similar to the Lambeth average (3.3). This indicates there are a sufficient number of registered places for 0-4 year olds in Knight's Hill ward
- 20 places in the PVI sector are free entitlement places, almost all of which are taken up by 3 year olds
- There are 26 full time equivalent places for 3-4 year olds in the maintained sector.

Figure 14: Location of PVI settings and Maintained schools with nursery classes (Jun 2009).

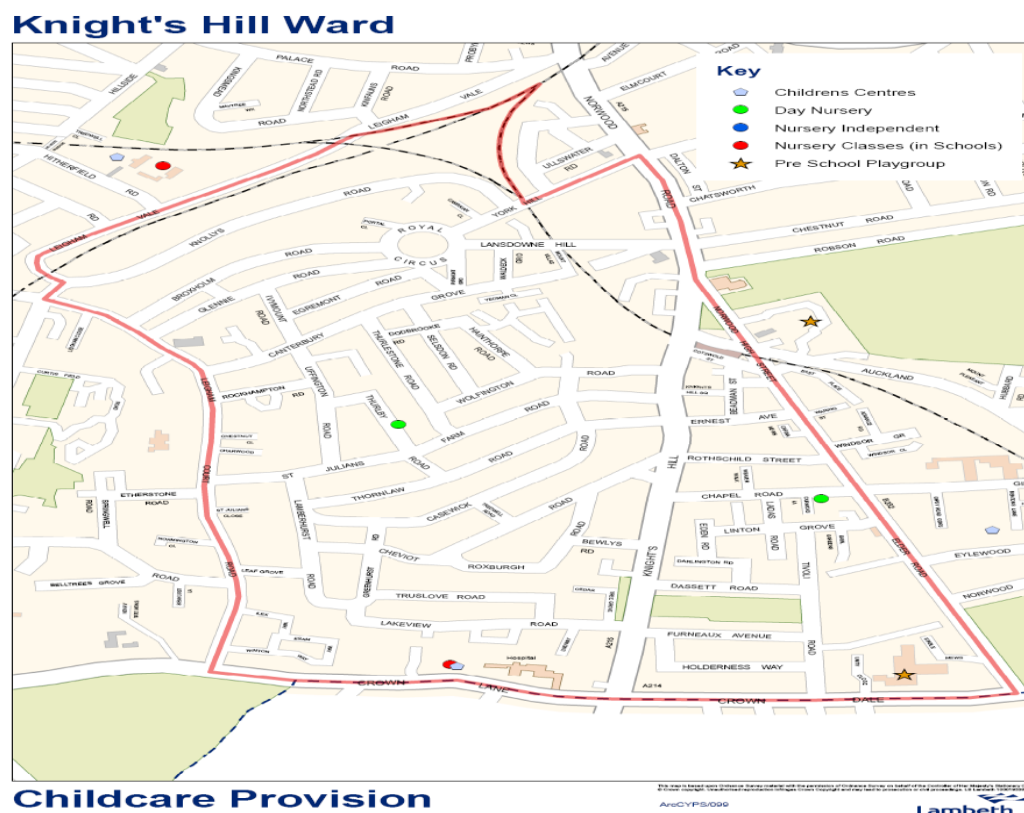


Table 2: Number of vacant places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Vacant places 2008	Vacant places (CSA 2007)
PVI	4	10
Childminder	35	28
Total	39	38

(ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

- Vacancies in the PVI sector have decreased from 2007 whilst childminder vacancies have increased. Approximately one in 10 places are currently vacant, indicating a low number of vacancies in comparison to other wards
- Overall there has been a significant increase in the number of registered places in Knight's Hill ward, and vacancies have remained stable. This indicates there are currently sufficient places for 0-4 year olds, however low vacancy rates may indicate demand for places in the future may increase

Registered places and Vacancies 0-2

Registered places 0-2				Vacancies 0-2			
0	1	2	Total 0-2	0	1	2	Total 0-2
1	0	107	108	0	0	0	0

(ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

- Nearly a half of all PVI registered places are for 0-2 year olds. Of these, there are no current vacancies. This may indicate a demand for 0-2 places in this ward
- In addition to the PVI sector, almost all childminders cater for 0-5 year olds
- Based on available PVI data, the earliest opening time was 7am, and the latest closing time is 7pm
- Of the 26 childminders with available information, the earliest opening time was 6am, and all childminders are open by 8am. Closing times varied between 5pm – 9pm. 22 childminders were open until 6pm or later. Six childminders state flexible hours or weekend care were available
- In the PVI sector costs ranged from £2.60 - £3 per hour. Cost per hour in Knight's Hill ward is one of the least expensive in comparison to other wards
- In the childminder sector costs ranged from £3.50 - £6.50 per hour, with an average of £4.57 per hour. The average cost per hour in Knight's Hill ward for childminders is lower than the average costs of all Lambeth wards (£5.27). Knight's Hill ward has the lowest average per hour cost of all wards in Lambeth.

Summary:

- There are high numbers of 0-4 year olds (1,239) in this ward but there seems to be sufficient places in the PVI and Childminder sector with the number of children per place similar at 3.6 compared to the Lambeth average of 3.3. Overall the number of children per place (3.4) is higher than the Lambeth average (2.4). Low vacancy rates may indicate demand for places in the future may increase.
- There are currently no vacancies for 0-2 year olds indicating a gap in provision of 0-2 year old childcare
- Costs are the least expensive across the borough and the uptake of the childcare element of working tax credit is the highest across the borough. However Knight's Hill ward also has a lower than Lambeth average household income, and a large number of lone parents, indicating information should be available to parents about financial incentives to assist them with the costs of childcare
- From 2007 to 2008 there has been an increase in the number of children aged 5-14 years. Analysis of childcare for over 5's is needed to address supply and demand of childcare for this age group

Clapham Town Ward

Factors Affecting Demand

Under 5's population

0	1	2	Total 0-2	3	4	Total 3-4	Total 0-4
191	192	179	562	157	169	326	888

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Over 5's population:

5	6	7	8	9	Total 5-9	10	11	12	13	14	Total 10-14	Total all
165	148	174	178	161	826	149	157	135	119	133	693	1519

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Key Facts:

- The number of children under 5 in Clapham Town ward has increased from 881 in 2007 to 888 in 2008
- The number of children 5-9 years has increased from 818 in 2007 to 826 in 2008. Likewise the number of 10-14 year olds has increased from 681 in 2007 to 693 in 2008. Increases in all populations 0-14 years in this ward may indicate a greater demand for childcare places
- There are between 20-29 children 0-18 years with a disability on the ICOUNT Disability Register in Clapham Town ward (0.76% - 1% of all 0-18 yr olds)
- The largest number of children in Clapham Town ward are from a White British and White Other backgrounds
- Clapham Town has the second highest average household income of all wards in Lambeth (£790 compared to £664 Lambeth average)
- There are a small number of part time employees in comparison to other wards (5.7% compared to Lambeth 7%)
- There are a small number of lone parent households (10% compared to 12% average all Lambeth wards)
- Clapham Town has the smallest number of job seeker claimants across the Borough (4% compared to 4.8%)
- One quarter of all families in work in Clapham Town ward benefit from the child care element of Working Tax Credit (WTC), including 30% of lone parents. Clapham Town ward has a large number of working families claiming the childcare element of working tax credit in comparison to other wards

Under 5's Childcare Supply

Table 1: Number of registered places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Number of registered places 2008	Number of registered places 2007
PVI's (Private, Voluntary and Independent sector including Children Centres)	317 (7 providers)	315
Childminders	36 (13 childminders)	36
Total	353	351
Children per place	2.52	2.51

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2007 and 2008; ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

Key Facts:

- Comparison of 2007 to 2008 data shows a decrease in the number of PVI places and the same number of childminder places. Overall there are slightly more registered places than in 2007, and a decrease in the number of actual children per place. Clapham Town ward has one of the lowest children per place ratios across the borough, indicating sufficient childcare places for 0-4 year olds
- 105 places in the PVI sector are free entitlement places. Over three quarters are taken up by 3 year olds, and the remainder by 4 year olds
- There are 149 full time equivalent places for 3-4 year olds in the maintained sector. This represents over 45% of places in the ward for this age group (Population: 326).

Figure 15: Location of PVI settings and Maintained schools with nursery classes (Jun 2009).

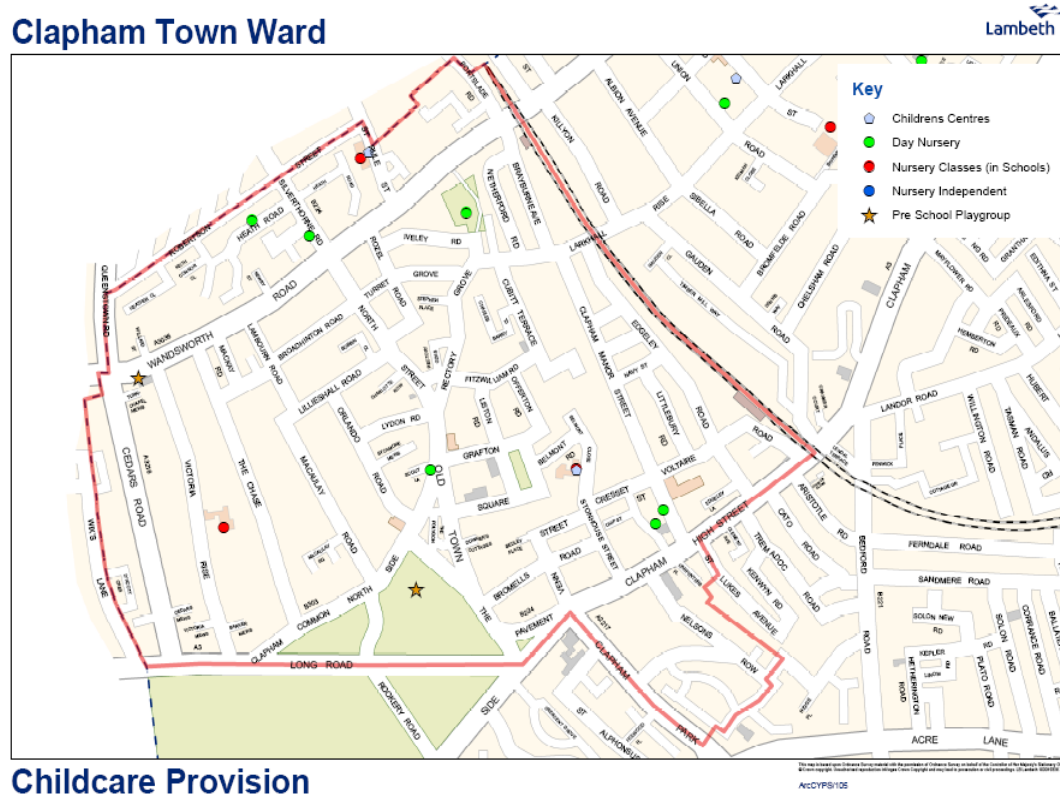


Table 2: Number of vacant places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Vacant places 2008	Vacant places (CSA 2007)
PVI (Private, Voluntary and Independent sector including Children Centres)	30	61
Childminder	11	13
Total	41	74

(ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

- There is a significant decrease in vacancies in the PVI from 2007 to 2008 and only a slight decrease in vacancies for childminder places
- Overall there has been a minor increase in the number of registered places in Clapham Town ward, and a decrease in vacancies with 1 in 10 places currently vacant

Table 3: PVI Registered places and vacancies 0-2

PVI Registered places				0-2 PVI Vacancies 0-2			
			Total 0-2				Total 0-2
0	1	2			0	1	2
6	34	76	116		0	9	14

(ICHIS 2008)

- Over one third of all PVI registered places are for 0-2 year olds. However three quarters of all vacancies in the PVI sector are for 0-2 year old places. This suggests that while there may be an oversupply of 0-2 year old places or the current places available are not meeting parents needs
- Four out of seven PVI providers cater for 0-2 year olds, the other three PVI providers cater for the 2-5 age group
- In the childminder sector all childminders catered for 0-5 age group
- In the PVI sector the earliest opening time was 8.00 am, with four providers opening by 8am. The latest closing time was 6.15pm
- In the childminder sector opening times ranged from 8am – 9am. Closing times varied between 5.30pm – 7pm. Half of the childminders close by 6pm, and one childminder stated flexibility Saturday care
- No providers in the PVI or childminders sectors open before 8am, indicating this may be a reason parents are not accessing childcare, particularly parents who work full time and require longer hours of childcare over the day
- In the PVI sector cost per hour ranged from £2.40 - £6.70 per hour. Based on costs of other wards, cost per hour in Clapham Town ward is average to most wards, and more expensive than some wards
- In the childminder sector costs ranged from £ 4 - £5.50 per hour, with an average of £4.88 per hour. The average cost per hour in Clapham Town ward for childminders is slightly lower than the average cost of all Lambeth wards (£5.27)

Summary:

- Clapham Town has a sufficient number of childcare places for 0-4 year olds
- Further analysis needs to be made as to whether the high number of vacancies of 0-2 year olds places is due to oversupply of places or that places currently available do not meet the needs of all parents who wish to access them
- The limited opening hours in comparison to other wards may indicate hours are not flexible to meet the needs of parents, particularly those that work full time. Options could be investigated to lengthen opening times, and increase the number of childminders who provide flexible hours and weekend care
- Although Clapham Town ward on average has a high weekly household income, childcare costs are also more than the Lambeth average and may restrict access for some parents. Information to help parents utilise the childcare element of working tax credit may assist parents to access childcare more affordably
- Analysis of childcare for over 5's is needed to address supply and demand of childcare for the 0-14 year age groups

Clapham Common Ward

Factors Affecting Demand

Under 5's population:

0	1	2	Total 0-2	3	4	Total 3-4	Total 0-4
208	196	174	578	150	147	297	875

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Over 5's population:

5	6	7	8	9	Total 5-9	10	11	12	13	14	Total 10-14	Total all
131	124	129	120	134	638	123	113	98	99	89	522	1160

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Key Facts:

- The number of children under 5 in Clapham Common ward has increased from 855 in 2007 to 875 in 2008
- The number of 5-9 year olds decreased from 655 in 2007 to 638 in 2008. The 10-14 year old population has increased from 513 in 2007 to 522 in 2008
- Clapham Common has one of the smallest 0-14 year old populations across Lambeth, indicating demand for childcare may be lower than in other wards.
- There are between 20-29 children 0-18 years who have a disability on the ICOUNT Disability Register in Clapham Common ward (1.01% - 1.25% of all 0-18 yr olds)
- The largest numbers of children in Clapham Common ward are from White British and White Other backgrounds
- Clapham Common ward has the highest average household income of all wards in Lambeth (£940 compared to £664 Lambeth average)
- Clapham Common ward has the smallest number of lone parent households of all wards in Lambeth (8% compared to 12%)
- There are a large number of people in this ward that are economically active, (76.5% compared to 70.9%) and a large number of full time employees
- 17% of all families in work in Clapham Common ward benefit from the child care element of Working Tax Credit (WTC), including 28% of lone parents. Clapham Common ward has an average take up in comparison to other wards
- Clapham Common ward is one of the least deprived wards in the borough

Under 5's Childcare Supply

Table 1: Number of registered places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Number of registered places 2008	Number of registered places 2007
PVI's	268 (4 providers)	225
Childminders	24 (10 childminders)	36
Total	292	261
Children per place	3.00	3.28

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2007 and 2008; ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

Key Facts:

- Comparison of 2007 to 2008 data shows an increase in the number of PVI places, and a decrease in childminder places. Overall there are more registered places than in 2007, and an increase in the number of children per place. This indicates there are a sufficient number of places in this ward
- In the PVI sector there are 41 children accessing their free entitlement. 34 of these children are three years old, 7 are four years old
- There are 130 full time equivalent places for 3-4 year olds in the maintained sector.

Figure 16: Location of PVI settings and Maintained schools with nursery classes (Jun 2009).

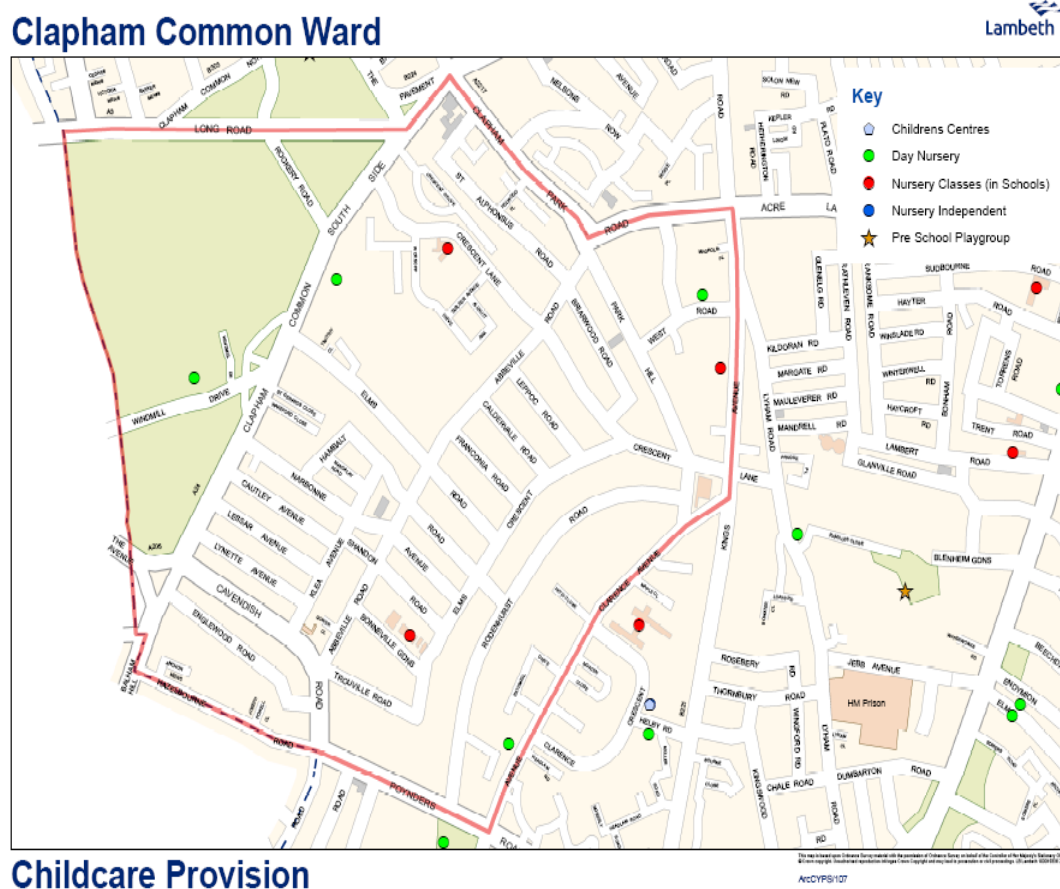


Table 2: Number of vacant places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Vacant places 2008	Vacant places (CSA 2007)
PVI (Private, Voluntary and Independent sector including Children Centres)	31	3
Childminder	14	9
Total	45	12

(ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

- There is a significant increase in vacancies in the PVI sector in 2008 compared to 2007, with one in six places currently vacant. The majority of these vacancies are in the PVI sector
- Overall there has been an increase in the number of registered places in Clapham Common ward, and also an increase in vacancies. A decrease in the numbers of 0-4 year olds may contribute to increased vacancies, and could indicate an oversupply of places in the future

Table 3: PVI Registered places and Vacancies 0-2

Registered places 0-2				Vacancies 0-2				
0	1	2	Total 0-2		0	1	2	Total 0-2
0	0	8	8		30	0	45	75

(ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

- Over one quarter of all places in the PVI sector are for 0-2 year olds. Likewise one quarter of all vacancies are for 0-2 year old places. Because 0-2 year olds make up about two thirds of all 0-4 year olds in this ward the demand for places for 0-2 year olds is likely to increase. Vacancies for 0-2 year olds suggest that although there is demand, places available are not currently meeting needs of parents
- In the PVI sector the earliest opening time was 8.20 am, with three providers opening at 9am. The latest closing time was 6pm. Only one provider was open until 6pm
- The earliest opening times for childminders was 7.30am, with all childminders opening between 7.30 am – 9am. Closing times varied between 5pm – 7pm. Half of the childminders close by 6pm. One childminder stated weekend care was available
- The opening times of the PVI and childminder sectors may be a contributing factor to vacancies in this sector, particularly in consideration that there is a large number of full time employee, indicating parents may need childcare available for longer periods over the day
- In the PVI sector, cost per hour ranged from £5.66 - £8.76 per hour. Based on data for other wards, cost per hour in Clapham Common ward is the most expensive of all Lambeth wards
- In the childminder sector cost per hour ranged from £ 4.50- £7 per hour, with an average of £5.38 per hour. The average cost per hour in Clapham Common ward for childminders is slightly higher than the average cost of all Lambeth wards (£5.27)

Summary:

- There is a sufficient number of places in Clapham Common ward
- Further investigation is needed to ensure existing places meet the needs of parents, particularly for the 0-2 year olds
- The limited opening hours in comparison to other wards may indicate hours are not flexible to meet the needs of parents, particularly those that work full time
- Although Clapham Common ward on average has a high weekly household income, childcare costs are also more expensive than the Lambeth average and may restrict access for some parents. Information to help parents utilise the childcare element of working tax credit may assist parents to access childcare more affordably
- Analysis of childcare for over 5's is needed to address supply and demand of childcare for the 5-14 year age groups

Thornton Ward

Factors Affecting Demand

Under 5's population:

0	1	2	Total 0-2	3	4	Total 3-4	Total 0-4
218	226	208	652	201	189	390	1042

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Over 5's population:

5	6	7	8	9	Total 5-9	10	11	12	13	14	Total 10-14	Total all
168	171	181	199	158	877	170	154	138	145	132	739	1616

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Key Facts:

- 5% of all Lambeth children under 5 live in Thornton ward. Compared to other wards in Lambeth, the number of children under 5 in Thornton ward is not significantly higher or lower
- The number of children under 5 in Thornton ward has increased from 1008 in 2007 to 1042 in 2008
- The number of children 5 -9 has decreased from 890 in 2007 to 877 in 2008. The number of 10-14 year olds has increased from 710 in 2007 to 739 in 2008. This may indicate a higher demand for childcare for 10-14 year olds
- There are between 20-29 children with a disability 0-18 years on the ICOUNT Disability Register in Thornton ward (0% - 0.75% of all 0-18 yr olds)
- Thornton ward has a higher than average household income compared to all wards in Lambeth (£730 compared to £664 Lambeth average)
- There is an average number of part time employees in comparison to the rest of the Borough (7%)
- There is a large number of lone parent households in comparison to most other Lambeth wards (13% compared to average 12%)
- Thornton has a larger number of couple families with dependent children where only one parent works
- There is a small number of job seeker claimants in comparison to the rest of the Borough (4% compared to 4.8% average of all Lambeth wards)
- 17% of all families in work in Thornton ward benefit from the child care element of Working Tax Credit (WTC), including 29% of lone parents (HMRC Child Tax Credit Statistics 2006-07). This is a high take up rate in comparison to other wards

Under 5's Childcare Supply

Table 1: Number of registered places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Number of registered places 2008	Number of registered places 2007
PVI's (Private, Voluntary and Independent sector including Children Centres)	225 (6 providers)	219
Childminders	43 (15 childminders)	51
Total	268	270
Children per place	3.89	3.73

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2007 and 2008; ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

Key Facts:

- Comparison of 2007 to 2008 data shows an increase in the number of PVI places available and decrease in the number of childminder places. Overall there are less registered places than in 2007, and an increase in the number of children per place. The children per place ratio is slightly higher than the Lambeth average (3.3) indicating there is sufficiency or possibly a need for a small number of additional places
- 67 children are accessing their free entitlement in the PVI sector. 44 of these children are 3 years and 23 are 4 years old
- There are 230 full time equivalent places for 3-4 year olds in the maintained sector.

Figure 17: Location of PVI settings and Maintained schools with nursery classes (Jun 2009).

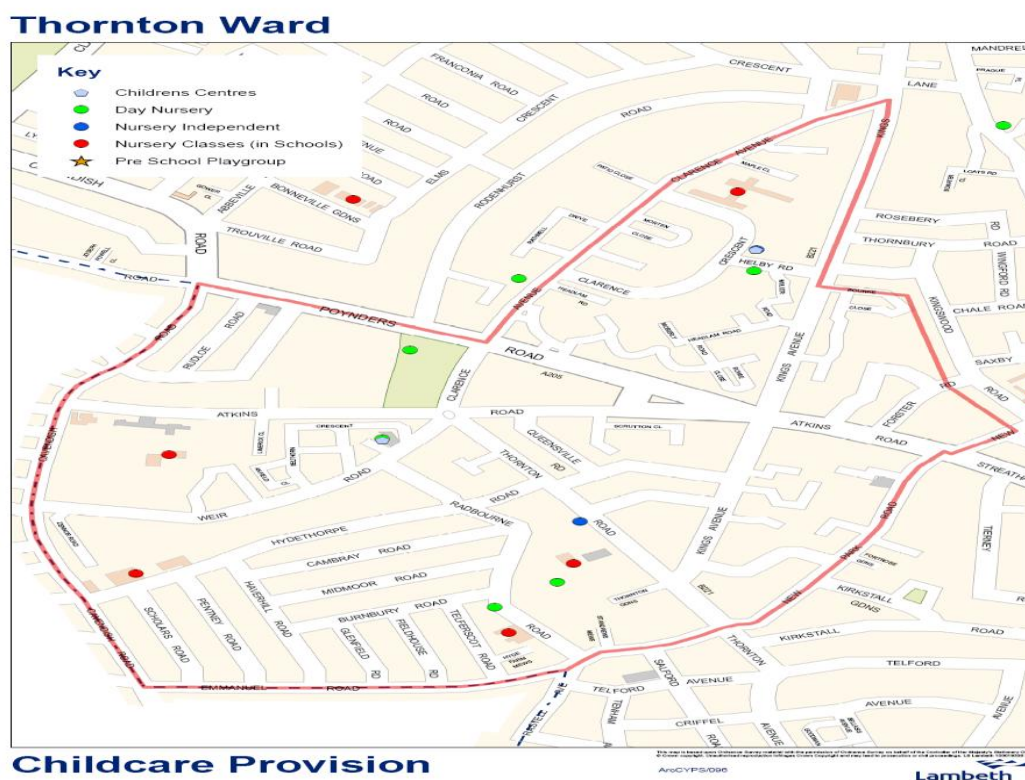


Table 2: Number of vacant places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Vacant places 2008	Vacant places (CSA 2007)
PVI (Private, Voluntary and Independent sector including Children Centres)	47	25
Childminder	23	28
Total	70	53

(ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

- Vacancies in the PVI sector have increased and vacancies in the childminder sector have decreased from 2007 to 2008. Currently one third of all places are vacant
- Overall there has been a decrease in the number of registered places in Thornton ward, and an increase in vacancies. This indicates that current places available are not meeting the needs of all parents in this ward

PVI Registered places and vacancies 0-2

PVI Registered places 0-2				PVI Vacancies 0-2			
0	1	2	Total 0-2	0	1	2	Total 0-2
72	0	73	145	13	0	8	21

(ICHIS 2008)

- Two thirds of all places in the PVI sector are for 0-2's and nearly half of all vacancies are for 0-2 year old places. This may indicate there is an oversupply of places for 0-2's or that the places available are currently not meeting the needs of all parents who need to access them
- Of the data available, all PVI providers cater for the 0-2 age group, and all childminders cater for the 0-2 age group
- Based on available data of four PVI providers, opening times ranged from 7.30am – 8.30am. The latest closing time was 6.00pm, with three providers closing at 6pm
- In the childminders sector opening times varied between 6.30 – 9.30am. 10 childminders were open by 8am. Closing times varied between 4.00pm – 11.00pm. One childminder stated weekend care was available and two stated flexibility with hours
- There was no available data to compare costs to other wards. One PVI provider gave a per hour cost of £8 per hour. This is the most expensive range across the Borough
- In the childminder sector, eight childminders provided cost per hour data, ranging from £4.50 - £9 per hour, with an average of £5.82 per hour. The average cost per hour in Thornton ward for childminders is slightly higher than the average cost for all Lambeth wards (£5.27)

Summary:

- The child per place ratio for 0-4 years shows there are sufficient places available in Thornton
- An increase in vacancy rates indicates the current places available are not meeting the needs of some parents, particularly for 0-2 year olds. Further analysis of parents needs should be undertaken to better understand parents demand childcare, including needs in regard to opening times
- Thornton ward has a higher than Lambeth average of household income. In addition the cost of childcare is similar or more expensive to most other wards. Parents on low incomes, such as the large number of lone parent families may benefit from an increased understanding of the childcare element of working tax credit to assist them to access affordable childcare. This may assist in reducing vacancy rates
- From 2007 to 2008 there has been an increase in the number of children aged 5-9 years. Analysis of childcare for over 5's is needed to address supply and demand of childcare for this age group

Streatham Hill Ward

Factors Affecting Demand

Under 5's population:

0	1	2	Total 0-2	3	4	Total 3-4	Total 0-4
220	212	188	620	166	167	333	953

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Over 5's population:

5	6	7	8	9	Total 5-9	10	11	12	13	14	Total 10-14	Total all
161	142	152	136	126	717	135	123	126	115	105	604	1321

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Key Facts:

- 5% of all Lambeth children under 5 live in Streatham Hill ward. Compared to other wards in Lambeth, the number of children under 5 in Streatham Hill ward is not significantly higher or lower
- The number of children under 5 in Streatham Hill ward has slightly decreased from 954 in 2007 to 953 in 2008
- The number of children 5-9 has decreased from 725 in 2007 to 717 in 2008. The number of 10-14 year olds has increased from 595 in 2007 to 604 in 2008
- There are between 30-39 children with disabilities 0-18 years on the ICOUNT Disability Register in Streatham Hill ward (1.01% - 1.25% of all 0-18 yr olds)
- Streatham Hill has a high average household income compared to all wards in Lambeth (£690 compared to £664 Lambeth average)
- There is a large number of part time employees in comparison to the rest of the Borough (7.5% compared to 7%)
- There is a smaller number of lone parent households in comparison to most other Lambeth wards (10% compared to average 12%)
- There is a small number of job seeker claimants across the Borough (4% compared to 4.8% average of all Lambeth wards)
- 1 in 5 families in work in Streatham Hill ward benefit from the child care element of Working Tax Credit (WTC), including 33% of lone parents. This take up rate is higher than the Lambeth average

Under 5's Childcare Supply

Table 1: Number of registered places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Number of registered places 2008	Number of registered places 2007
PVI's (Private, Voluntary and Independent sector including Children Centres)	326 (8 providers)	181
Childminders	23 (11 childminders)	34
Total	349	215
Children per place (overall)	2.73	4.44

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2007 and 2008; ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

Key Facts:

- Comparison of 2007 to 2008 data shows an increase in the number of PVI places available and a decrease in the number of childminder places. Overall there are significantly more registered places than in 2007, and a decrease in the number of children per place. The child per place ratio in 2008 is lower than the Lambeth average (3.3) indicating sufficient registered places in the PVI and childminder sectors for 0-4 year olds in this ward
- 69 children are accessing their free entitlement in the PVI sector, comprising 48 3year olds and 21 4 years olds
- There are 50 full time equivalent places for 3-4 year olds in the maintained sector.

Figure 18: Location of PVI settings and Maintained schools with nursery classes (Jun 2009).

Streatham Hill Ward

Lambeth



Childcare Provision

Table 2: Number of vacant places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Vacant places 2008	Vacant places (CSA 2007)
PVI (Private, Voluntary and Independent sector including Children Centres)	25	8
Childminder	20	8
Total	45	16

(ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

- Vacancies in the PVI and childminders sectors have increased from 2007 to 2008. There are currently one in five places vacant in the PVI and childminder sector. This is a low number in comparison to other wards indicating sufficiency of places and possibly an increase in demand if vacancies remain low

PVI Registered places and vacancies 0-2

PVI Registered places 0-2				PVI Vacancies 0-2			
0	1	2	Total 0-2	0	1	2	Total 0-2
136	0	12	148	0	0		0

(ICHIS 2008)

- Nearly half of all places in the PVI sector are for 0-2 year olds. Of these there are currently no vacancies. This indicates there are currently insufficient places for 0-2 year olds. Redistribution of places to increase the number of 0-2 year old places may reduce demand
- Data shows four providers cater for the 0-5 age group, and all childminders cater for the 0-5 age group
- Based on available data of six PVI providers, the earliest opening time was 7.30am, with five out of six open between 7.30am – 8.00am. The latest closing time was 7pm, with five providers closing between 6pm – 7pm
- In the childminder sector the earliest opening time was 7am, with all childminders open by 8am. Closing times varied between 5pm – 9pm. One childminder stated weekend care was available
- Cost in the PVI sector ranged from £3.50 - £5.40 per hour. Cost per hour in Streatham Hill ward is average in comparison to other wards, and more expensive than some other wards
- Costs in the childminders sector ranged from £4.50 - £6 per hour, with an average of £5.09 per hour. The average cost per hour in Streatham Hill ward for childminders is close to the average cost for all Lambeth wards (£5.27).

Summary:

- There is a sufficient number places in the PVI and childminder sector for 0-4 year olds. Overall there are 2.4 children per place which is similar to the Lambeth average (2.4)
- Low vacancies for 0-2 year olds indicates there is demand for 0-2 year old places. Redistribution of places to increase the number of 0-2 year old places may reduce demand
- It appears parents needs generally are being met with a choice of opening times and flexible times available
- A high average household income, high take up of the childcare element of working tax credit, small number of benefit claimants, and average childcare costs may also be contributing to low vacancy rates
- Analysis of childcare for over 5's is needed to address supply and demand of childcare for the 5-14 year age groups

St Leonard's Ward

Factors Affecting Demand

Under 5's population:

0	1	2	Total 0-2	3	4	Total 3-4	Total 0-4
186	172	157	515	142	139	281	796

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Over 5's population:

5	6	7	8	9	Total 5-9	10	11	12	13	14	Total 10-14	Total all
117	100	94	87	73	471	74	70	65	71	77	357	828

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Key Facts:

- 5% of all Lambeth children under 5 live in St Leonard's ward. Compared to other wards in Lambeth, the number of children under 5 in St Leonard's ward is not significantly higher or lower
- The number of children 0-4 years has increased from 777 in 2007 to 796 in 2008
- The number of 5-9 year olds remains the same (471) from 2007 to 2008 and there is a decrease in 10-14 year olds from 372 in 2007 to 357 in 2008. This indicates demand for childcare for 5-14 year olds may not be as high as in other wards
- There are approximately 20-29 children 0-18 years who have a disability on the ICOUNT Disability Register in St Leonard's ward (1.01% -1.25% of all children 0-18 in St Leonard's ward)
- St Leonard's ward has one of the highest average household incomes compared to other wards (£720 compared to £664 Lambeth average)
- There are a large number of residents who are economically active (75% compared to Lambeth 70.9%)
- There is a small number of part time workers and a small number of lone parent households in comparison to other wards (9% compared to Lambeth 10% and 7% compared to Lambeth 12% respectively)
- There is a large number of Black African residents (16.3% compared to 10.8% whole Lambeth), Asian residents (9.6% compared to Lambeth 5%) and mixed race residents compared to the Lambeth average (4.7% compared to Lambeth 2%)
- One in six families in work in St Leonard's ward benefit from the child care element of Working Tax Credit (WTC)., including close to one third of lone parents. This take up rate is similar to the Lambeth average

Under 5's Childcare Supply

Table 1: Number of registered places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Number of registered places 2008	Number of registered places 2007
PVI's (Private, Voluntary and Independent sector including Children Centres)	353 (11 providers)	335
Childminders	34 (11 childminders)	42
Total	387	377
Children per place	2.06	2.07

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2007 and 2008; ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

Key Facts:

- Comparison of 2007 to 2008 data shows a decrease in the number of registered places in the PVI and childminder sectors. Overall there are a more registered places than in 2007, and a decrease in the number of children per place. The ratio of children to place is lower than the Lambeth average (3.3) and indicates sufficiency or even oversupply of places in the PVI and childminder sectors for 0-4 year olds
- 139 children are accessing their free entitlement in the PVI sector. Over two thirds of these children are 3 years old, and the remainder 4 years olds
- There are 52 full time equivalent places for 3-4 year olds in the maintained sector.

Figure 19: Location of PVI settings and Maintained schools with nursery classes (Jun 2009).

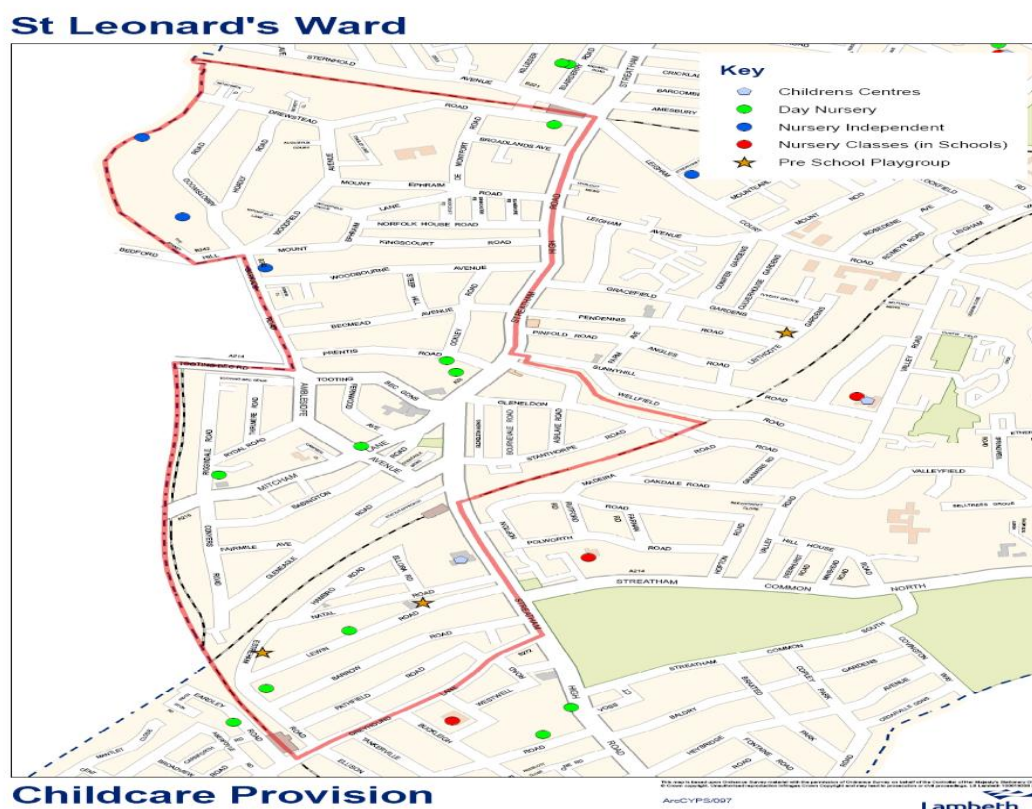


Table 2: Number of vacant places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Vacant places 2008	Vacant places (CSA 2007)
PVI	104	94
Childminder	24	21
Total	128	115

(ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

- There is a small increase in PVI and childminder sector vacancies from 2007 to 2008. Over one third of places in the PVI and childminder sector are currently vacant
- Overall there has been an increase in the number of registered places in St Leonard's ward, but there is also a higher number of vacancies. This indicates there may be more places than is needed for 0-4 year olds in this ward

Table 3: PVI Registered places 0-2 PVI Vacancies 0-2

PVI Registered places 0-2				PVI Vacancies 0-2			
0	1	2	Total 0-2	0	1	2	Total 0-2
32	32	61	125	0	5	2	7

(ICHIS 2008)

- Just over one third of all PVI sector places are for 0-2 year olds and just 7% of all vacancies are for 0-2 year old places. This indicates there are currently insufficient places for 0-2 year olds. Redistribution of places to increase the number of 0-2 year old places may reduce demand
- Six out of 11 PVI providers cater for 0-5's, and all childminders with available data cater for 0-5 year olds
- Based on available data, the earliest opening time in the PVI sector is 7am, with six providers opening between 7.30am – 8am. The latest closing time was 7pm, with six PVI providers remain open until at least 6pm
- Based on available data, all childminders opened between 7am – 9am, with seven childminders open by 8am. Closing times varied between 5pm – 8pm. One childminder stated weekend care available
- Only two PVI sectors providers had available costs, which ranged from £3.30 - £6 per hour. Cost per hour in St Leonard's ward is equivalent to most other wards, and is more expensive than some wards
- In the childminder sector, costs ranged from £4 - £5 per hour, with an average of £4.25 per hour. In comparison to other wards, St Leonard's ward has one of the lowest per hour costs for childminders

Summary:

- There is sufficient number of places in the PVI and childminder sector for 0-4 year olds. Overall there is 1.8 children per place which suggests over supply also an increase in vacancies indicates there may be an oversupply
- Low vacancies for 0-2 year olds indicates there is demand for 0-2 year old places. Redistribution of places to increase the number of 0-2 year old places may reduce demand
- Further investigation is needed to ensure exiting places meet the needs of parents, particularly for the 0-2 year olds
- Analysis of childcare for over 5's is needed to address supply and demand of childcare for the 5-14 year age groups
- The take up rate of the childcare element of working tax credit is similar to the Lambeth average. Information to help parents utilise the childcare element of working tax credit may assist parents to access childcare more affordably and reduce vacancies

Streatham Wells Ward

Factors Affecting Demand

Under 5's population:

0	1	2	Total 0-2	3	4	Total 3-4	Total 0-4
241	225	183	649	158	147	305	954

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Over 5's population:

5	6	7	8	9	Total 5-9	10	11	12	13	14	Total 10-14	Total all
124	113	108	92	87	524	103	104	90	96	111	504	1028

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Key Facts:

- 5% of all Lambeth children under 5 live in Streatham Wells ward.
Compared to other wards in Lambeth, the number of children under 5 in Streatham Wells ward is not significantly higher or lower
- The number of children under 5 in Streatham Wells ward has increased from 936 in 2007 to 954 in 2008
- The number of children 5-9 years has increased from 533 in 2007 to 524 in 2008. The number of children 10-14 years has decreased from 511 in 2007 to 504 in 2008. This indicates that demand for childcare for 5-9 years olds may be greater than for 10-14 year olds
- There are between 20-29 children with a disability 0-18 years on the ICOUNT Disability Register in Streatham Wells ward (0.76% - 1% of all 0-18 yr olds)
- Streatham Wells has a higher than average household income compared to all wards in Lambeth (£700 compared to £664 Lambeth average)
- There is a small number of part time employees in comparison to the rest of the Borough (6.3% compared to 7%)
- There is a small number of lone parent households in comparison to most other Lambeth wards (10% compared to average 12%)
- Streatham Wells has a large number of residents from an Asian background (7.3%) compared to Lambeth average (4%) and the majority of these residents are from an Indian background
- Streatham Wells has an average number of job seeker claimants across the Borough (5% compared to 4.8% average of all Lambeth wards)
- 18% of all families in work in Streatham Wells ward benefit from the child care element of Working Tax Credit (WTC), including one third of lone. This is a high take up rate in comparison to other wards

Under 5's Childcare Supply

Table 1: Number of registered places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Number of registered places 2008	Number of registered places 2007
PVI's (Private, Voluntary and Independent sector including Children Centres)	162 (4 providers)	111
Childminders	64 (21 childminders)	84
Total	226	195
Children per place (overall)	4.23	4.8

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2007 and 2008; ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

Key Facts:

- Comparison of 2007 to 2008 data shows an increase of places in the PVI sector and a decrease in places in the childminder sector. Overall there are more registered places than in 2007, and a decrease in the number of children per place. The child per place ratio is higher than the Lambeth average (3.3) indicating there may be insufficiency of places in this ward
- 52 children are accessing their free entitlement in the PVI sector, comprising 39 (3 year olds) and 13 (4 year olds)
- There are 76 full time equivalent places for 3-4 year olds in the maintained sector.

Figure 20: Location of PVI settings and Maintained schools with nursery classes (Jun 2009).

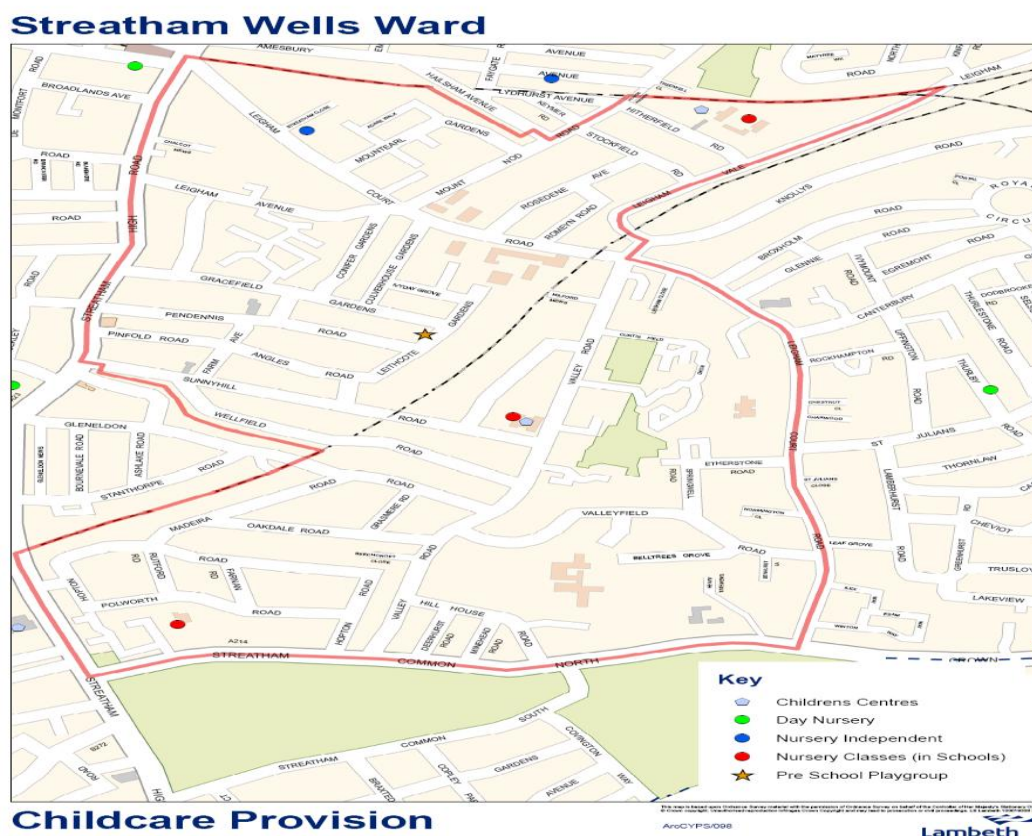


Table 2: Number of vacant places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Vacant places 2008	Vacant places (CSA 2007)
PVI	88	30
Childminder	32	46
Total	120	76

(ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

- Vacancies in the PVI sector have increased and vacancies in the childminder sector have decreased from 2007 to 2008. Currently one half of all places are vacant
- Overall there has been an increase in the number of registered places in Streatham Wells ward, and an increase in vacancies. This indicates that currently places available are not meeting needs of all parents who need to access them

PVI Registered places and vacancies 0-2

PVI Registered places 0-2				PVI Vacancies 0-2			
0	1	2	Total 0-2	0	1	2	Total 0-2
30	0	25	55	14	0	6	20

(ICHIS 2008)

- One third of all places in the PVI sector are for 0-2 year olds and one quarter of all vacancies are for 0-2 year old places. This indicates a high demand for 0-2 year old places in this ward
- Of the available data from three PVI providers. None of the providers with available data cater for the 0-2 age group, however all cater for the 2-5 age group
- Of the 19 childminders with data available, 17 cater for the 0-5 age group and two cater for the 1-5 age group
- Based on available data of three PVI providers, opening times ranged from 8.15am – 9.15am. The latest closing time was 6.00pm, with the three providers closing at 4pm, 5pm and 6pm respectively
- For the childminder sector opening times varied between 6.30 – 8.00am. Closing times varied between 5.30pm – 7pm. Two childminders stated weekend care was available
- In the PVI sector, the available data on cost was per session data so can not be compared to other wards which have costs per hour. The PVI session costs ranged between £6 - £15 per session
- Costs in the childminder sector ranged from £3.60 - £5.50 per hour, with an average of £4.72 per hour. The average cost per hour in Streatham Wells ward for childminders is lower than the average cost for all Lambeth wards (£5.27). Streatham Wells has the third lowest average per hour cost for childminders across the borough.

Summary:

- The number of registered places for 0-4 year olds has increased but with 4.2 children per place in the PVI and Childminder sector compared to the Lambeth average (3.3). There is a demand for more places particularly for 0-2 year olds.
- Overall there are 3.2 children per place, the high children per place ratio indicates there may be insufficient places in this ward for 0-4 year olds
- Vacancy data indicates that the places currently available are not meeting the needs of all parents who need to access them
- The large number of families accessing the childcare element of working tax credit, as well as the higher than average household income and the average costs of childcare in comparison to the rest of the borough suggests that cost of childcare is not a significant barrier for this ward
- The large number of childminders in this ward suggests investigation of ways to introduce more flexible working times could assist parents to access childcare that suits their needs, particularly for parents who work full time
- From 2007 to 2008 there has been an increase in the number of children aged 5-9 years. Analysis of childcare for over 5's is needed to address supply and demand of childcare for this age group

Streatham South Ward

Factors Affecting Demand

Under 5's population:

0	1	2	Total 0-2	3	4	Total 3-4	Total 0-4
178	185	170	533	169	163	332	865

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Over 5's population:

5	6	7	8	9	Total 5-9	10	11	12	13	14	Total 10-14	Total all
163	151	137	143	139	733	148	150	145	167	148	758	1491

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2008)

Key Facts:

- 5% of all Lambeth children under 5 live in Streatham South ward. Compared to other wards in Lambeth, the number of children under 5 in Streatham South ward is not significantly higher or lower
- The number of children under 5 in Streatham South ward has increased from 842 in 2007 to 865 in 2008
- The number of children 5-9 years has decreased from 738 in 2007 to 733 in 2008. Likewise the number of 10-14 year olds has decreased from 779 in 2007 to 758 in 2008. This indicates that there may not be as high a demand for childcare provision for 5-14 year olds in this ward as there is in other wards across the borough
- There are between 40-49 children with a disability 0-18 years on the ICOUNT Disability Register in Streatham South ward (1.26% - 1.5% of all 0-18 yr olds)
- Streatham South ward has a higher than average household income compared to all wards in Lambeth (£680 compared to £664 Lambeth average)
- There is a high number of part time employees in comparison to the rest of the Borough (8% compared to 7%)
- There is a small number of lone parent households in comparison to most other Lambeth wards (11% compared to average 12%)
- Streatham South has a large number of residents from an Asian background (16% compared to Lambeth average 4%) and the majority of these residents are from an Indian background.
- There is a large number of couples with dependent children (17.9% compared to Lambeth 12%)
- The number of job seeker claimants is similar to the average number across the Borough (5% compared to 4.8% average of all Lambeth wards)
- Just under 1 in 6 families in work in Streatham South ward benefit from the child care element of Working Tax Credit (WTC), including just over one quarter of lone parents Streatham South ward has the lowest number take up rate in comparison to the rest of the borough

Under 5's Childcare Supply

Table 1: Number of registered places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Number of registered places 2008	Number of registered places 2007
PVI's (Private, Voluntary and Independent sector including Children Centres)	185 (7 providers)	207
Childminders	92 (33 childminders)	129
Total	277	336
Children per place (overall)	3.13	2.51

(GLA 2007 ward population projections 2007 and 2008; ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

Key Facts:

- Comparison of 2007 to 2008 data shows a decrease in the number of PVI and childminder places. Overall there are less registered places than in 2007, and an increase in the number of children per place. The ratio of children per places is lower than the Lambeth average (3.3) indicating there is sufficiency of PVI and childminders sector places for 0-4 year olds in this ward
- There are 66 children claiming their free entitlement in the PVI sector. Almost three quarters of these children are aged 3 years (48 places), and the remaining one quarter are 4 years old (14 places)
- There are 103 full time equivalent places for 3-4 year olds in the maintained sector.

Figure 21: Location of PVI settings and Maintained schools with nursery classes (Jun 2009).

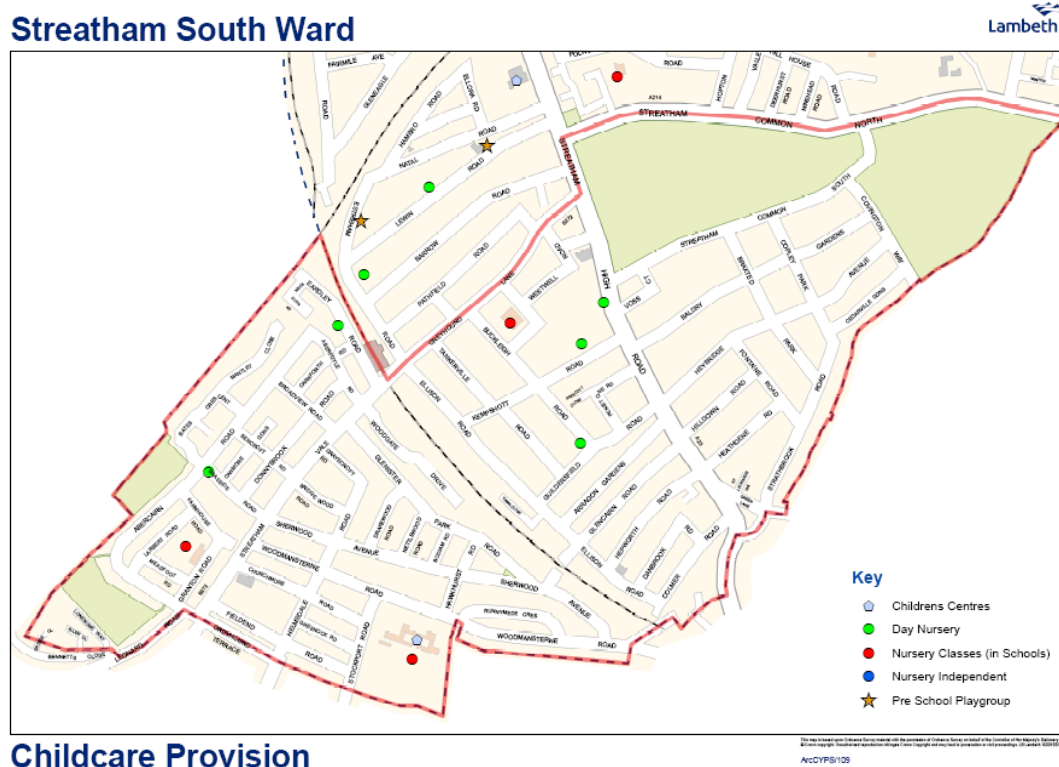


Table 2: Number of vacant places by provider, comparison 2008 and 2007 data

	Vacant places 2008	Vacant places (CSA 2007)
PVI	31	29
Childminder	37	32
Total	68	61

(ICHIS 2007 and ICHIS 2008)

- Vacancies in the PVI and childminder sector have increased from 2007 to 2008. The increase in vacancies may indicate that the places currently available are not meeting the needs of all parents who need to access them
- Overall there has been a decrease in the number of registered places in Streatham South ward, and a small number of vacancy increases. However only one quarter of places are vacant. This is a small number in comparison to the rest of the borough and indicates that there may be a demand for places for 0-4 year olds in the future

Table 3: PVI Registered places and vacancies 0-2

PVI Registered places				PVI Vacancies 0-2			
0	1	2	Total 0-2	0	1	2	Total 0-2
59	0	20	79	15	0	0	15

(ICHIS 2008)

- 43% of all places in the PVI sector are for 0-2 year olds and over half of all vacancies are for 0-2 year old places. This may indicate that the places available for 0-2 year olds currently are not meeting the needs of parents who need to access them
- In the PVI sector four providers cater for the 0-5 age group and two cater for the 2-5 age group
- Of the 26 childminders with data available, all cater for the 0-5 age group
- Based on available information from six PVI providers, the earliest opening time was 7.30am, and the latest closing time was 6.30pm, with all providers closing between 6pm – 6.30pm
- In the childminder sector the earliest opening time was 6am, with 24 childminders open by 8am. Closing times varied between 5pm – 7pm. Two childminders stated flexible hours were available
- Costs in the PVI sector ranged from £3.5 - £7.5 per hour. Cost per hour in Streatham South ward is average in comparison to other wards, and more expensive than some other wards
- Cost of provision in the childminder sector ranged from £2.5 - £8 per hour, with an average of £4.6 per hour. The average cost per hour in Streatham South ward for childminders is lower than the average cost for all Lambeth wards (£5.27). Streatham South has the second lowest average per hour cost for childminders across the borough

Summary:

- The children per place ratio in Streatham South ward indicates there are sufficient places for 0-4 year olds
- An increase in vacancy rates indicates current places available may not be meeting the needs of parents, particularly for 0-2 year olds. Further analysis of parents needs should be undertaken to better understand demand for childcare, and reduce vacancy rates in this ward
- The low vacancy rates indicate there may be an increased demand for places in the future
- The take up rate of the childcare element of working tax credit is the lowest across the borough. Information to help parents utilise the childcare element of working tax credit may assist parents to access childcare more affordably, particularly in the PVI sector where costs are more expensive than some other wards. It is also important that the information is accessible to parents with diverse cultural needs given the large numbers of residents from an Indian background residing in this ward
- The large number of childminders in this ward suggest investigation of ways to introduce more flexible working times could assist parents to access childcare that suits their needs, particularly for the large number of parents who work part time

Section 8: Glossary and List of Tables and Figures

Glossary:

Families Information Service	The name for the department at London Borough of Lambeth responsible for maintaining a database of local Childcare and Early Education (called ICHIS database)
Childcare Element of Working Tax Credit	Government payment to assist eligible families towards the cost of childcare
Children's Centre	Services for under 5's and families that provide early learning, health and family support services
Childminders	A person registered to look after one or more children under the age of 8, to whom they are not related, on domestic premises for reward and for a total of more than 2 hours in any day
Daycare	Daycare for children under the age of 8, for a continuous period of four hours or more in any day in premises which are not domestic premises. For example, Day Nurseries.
Deprivation	Deprivation refers to an unmet need, which is caused by a lack of resources of all kinds, not just financial
Free Entitlement Place	15 hours of free early learning and care for all three and four year olds funded through local authorities
GLA RLP data	Greater London Authority, Revised London Plan population projections
ICHIS database	Database used by the Families information Service of London Borough of Lambeth to collect data about childcare provision in Lambeth
ICOOUNT register	This is a register of children who have the joined the 'I COUNT Network for Children with a Disability'. Information from the register is taken from the 'I COUNT' card which is distributed to all registered children with a disability in Lambeth
Independent sector	An organisation or service where the child's parents or carers pay for their education

Index of Multiple Deprivation	The Index of Multiple Deprivation (IMD) is a measure of a combination of more specific forms of deprivation, which themselves can be more or less directly measurable, including income, education, health, housing, crime, employment and living environment
Local Authority	The elected Council which provides local public services such as Social Services, Education and Environmental Health
Maintained Sector	A school or nursery funded by the local authority
Out of School Care (OOS)	Daycare for children which operates Before School, After School or during the School holidays. Care is provided for more than two hours a day, and more than five days a year
PCT Live birth data	Lambeth Primary Care Trust data on live births
Private sector	An organisation or service which is not paid for by the government or a voluntary group
Provider	A person or organisation providing a Daycare or Childminding service
PVI Provider (Private, Voluntary or Independent) Provider	Childcare in a group setting that is provided by a private, voluntary or independent childcare provider. For the purpose of this report, PVI providers also include Children's Centres
Registered Provision	Provision that operates Daycare for more than two hours a day for children aged 0-8 must be registered with OfSTED (q.v.) and is subject to regular inspections.
Sessional Daycare	Daycare for children under the age of 8 for 'sessions' that are less than a continuous period of four hours in any day. For example, Playgroups.
Setting	The premises in which childcare is delivered. May range from the provider's own home (e.g. Childminder), or in Schools or Children's Centres
Voluntary sector	An organisation or service that is run through voluntary support and funding and is 'not for profit'
Ward	A division of a City or Town, especially an electoral district, for administrative and representative purposes. It is useful to use ward Divisions for statistical analysis and comparison within the City, although Wards can vary in size and the boundaries are subject to periodic changes

Figures and Baseline Data

Figures/Baseline data	Data source
Supply:	
Registered places PVI sector 2007	CSA 2007 report (ICHIS)
Registered places PVI sector 2008	ICHIS 2008 data
Registered places childminder sector 2007	CSA 2007 report (ICHIS)
Registered places childminder sector 2008	ICHIS 2008 data
Vacancies PVI sector 2007	CSA 2007 report (ICHIS)
Vacancies PVI sector 2008	ICHIS 2008 data
Vacancies Childminder sector 2007	CSA 2007 report (ICHIS)
Vacancies Childminder sector 2008	ICHIS 2008 data
Children per place 2007	CSA 2007 report (ICHIS) and 2007 GLA population projections for 2007
Children per place 2008	ICHIS 2008 data and 2007 GLA population projections for 2008
Free entitlement places 2008	ICHIS 2008 data
Maintained nursery sector places 2008 (full time equivalent places)	PLASC 2008 data
Age range of PVI sector 2008	ICHIS 2008 data
Age range of Childminder sector 2008	ICHIS 2008 data
Opening hours PVI sector 2008	ICHIS 2008 data
Opening hours Childminder sector 2008	ICHIS 2008 data
Costs PVI sector 2008	ICHIS 2008 data
Costs Childminder sector 2008	ICHIS 2008 data
Demand:	
Population 0-14 year olds (2007)	2007 GLA round population projections for 2007
Population 0-14 year olds (2008)	2007 GLA round population projections for 2008
Children with disabilities	ICOUNT register of children with a disability 2008
Ethnicity	Census 2001 and PCT 2008 data
Household income average weekly income	Census 2001 ONS 2001 data table: Income: Model-Based Estimates
Household income annual mode income	CACI Paycheck 2008 Equivalised Income data
Part time and full time employment	Census 2001 Working Age Client Group (2001 - 2008)
Lone parent households with dependent children	Census: Working Age Client Group (2001 - 2008)
Married couples and cohabiting couple with dependent children	Census 2001 Working Age Client Group (2001 - 2008)
Job seeker claimants	Office for National Statistics (Jobcentre Plus administrative system) & GLA estimates 2008, Table 1 Claimant count and rates by gender, wards in Lambeth
Childcare Element of Working Tax Credit	HMRC 2006. Table 1.1 Number of families benefiting from WTC, CTC and families with children receiving out of work benefits by LSOA: August 2006
Index of Multiple Deprivation 2007	Department of Communities and Local Government, Indices of Deprivation 2007

Notes:

1. Children per place data in the CSA 2007 was not used in the 2008 update because it was not clear what population data was used.
2. Calculation of children per place data for 2007 and 2008 was carried out as part of the 2008 CSA exercise using the following datasets:
 - 1) 2007 and 2008 GLA population projections (produced in 2007)
 - 2) ICHIS data for registered number of places in the PVI sector and Childminder sector
 - 3) Starting Schools Booklet 2009 for FTE places in the maintained sector for 3-4 year olds
3. No comparison was made with the maintained sector data in the CSA 2007 due to insufficient data. The CSA 2008 update uses Full time equivalent (FTE) places as a baseline.
4. PVI data includes children's centres in the CSA 2008 update

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Table 5: Number of maintained sector places, and children per place by ward
(Starting Schools Booklet 2009)

Table 6: Number of vacant places in PVI and Childminder sectors for 0-4 year olds by ward (Family Information Service ICHIS 2008)

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