

Linkwood Nursery – Non-Funded Hours 1st Month Review

On Monday 18th April Linkwood Nursery began offering additional non-funded ELC hours. On commencing this new service we initially had 2 families use our non-funded hours' facility and within the first month this has already increased to 7 families. We are confident that the number of families using our non-funded hours' service will continue to increase steadily (within nurseries capacity of 56 and not impacting on funded hours) and that the option to be able to pay for additional hours will continue support to our community's ELC needs. The offer of non-funded ELC hours has no additional cost to the Council as we are offering year round hours from 8am-6pm as part of the Scottish Government legislation around the 1140 hour commitment.

Linkwood Nursery Non-Funded Hours Income

April 2022 = £256.50 (Actual)

May 2022 = £570.00 (Actual/Projected)

June 2022 = £684.00 (Projected)

Parental Feedback – 13/05/2022

"The extra hours have really helped me. The staff are so lovely, kind and helpful. B loves being at nursery and always comes out smiling and happy. We just love Linkwood Nursery. B's confidence has also increased since having the extra time in nursery and it has allowed me to work extra shifts."

"The extra non-funded hours have been extremely helpful to me meaning I can work extra on those days without the stress of having to rely on other people collecting A from nursery. It also means I can pick both my children up from school/nursery at the same time. Hoping it continues."

"First of all I would like to thank you for offering the non-funded hours service at H's nursery. This is a great service and has allowed me to be able to work longer hours while H is in nursery. All the staff have worked very well to enable this service to run smoothly. My daughter has settled really well doing the extra hours and hope the nursery will continue this opportunity, thank you."