

TUARASCÁIL AR CHIGIREACHT RIALÁLA RÉAMHCHLÁRÚCHÁIN

TUSLA



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Ainm na Seirbhíse	Naíonra Bhaile Mhúirne
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	Buail Isteach		Feighlíocht Leana		Sealadach	

Athrú beartaithe:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Ó mhí Dheireadh Fómhair 2023, tá sé beartaithe ag an tseirbhís seirbhís pháirtaimseartha bhreise a chur ar fáil.
Líon Beartaithe na Leanaí:	22 (gan athrú)
Athrú Molta i ndiaidh na Cigireachta:	Gach athrú ceadaithe go hiomlán
Athrú cláraithe:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Cineál seirbhíse breise a chur leis an tseirbhís - ó Sheirbhís Sheisiúnach go Seirbhís Pháirtaimseartha & SheisiúnachAthrú ar uaireanta oibríochta ó 08:50 – 11:50 & 12:30 – 15:30 go 09:00 – 14:00

Dáta na Cigireachta:	0	6	0	9	2	0	2	3
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Cigireacht arna déanamh ag:	M. O'Reilly
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Teideal:	Cigire na Luathbhlianta
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Seoladh Chigireacht Luathbhlianta Tusla:	An Foirgneamh Riaracháin, Campas Sláinte Mhuire, Garrán na mBráthar, Corcaigh, T23X440
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Réasúnaíocht na Cigireachta:

Athrú Beartaithe ar Imthosca

Nóta: Úsáid oifige amháin, le comhlánú ag an Oifig Clárúcháin

Stádas Clárúcháin:	Seirbhís Pháirtaimseartha/Sheisiúnach le haghaidh 22 Leanbh
Dáta an Chlárúcháin	13 Meán Fómhair 2023



An tAcht fán nGníomhaireacht um Leanaí agus an Teaghlach, 2013

An tAcht um Chúram Leanaí, 1991 Rialacháin (Seirbhísí na

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Údarás chun cigireacht a dhéanamh

Déanann Cigireacht na Luathbhlianta, Tusla, cigireacht ar Sheirbhísí Luathbhlianta faoi Alt 58(D) den Acht um Chúram Leanaí, 1991, (arna chur isteach le hAlt 92 den Acht fán nGníomhaireacht um Leanaí agus an Teaghlach, 2013).

Tuairisc ar an tSeirbhís	<p>Osclaíodh Naíonra Bhaile Mhúirne den chéad uair in 2004 agus is seirbhís luathbhlianta sheisiúnach cláraithe é a dhéanann freastal ar leanaí ó 3-6 bliana d’aois a fhreastalaíonn ar an Scéim um Oideachas agus Cúram na Luathóige (ECCE). Tacaíonn Comhar Naíonraí na Gaeltachta leis an Naíonra seo. Bíonn an naíonra ar oscailt idir 8:50 go dtí 11:50, agus ó 12:30 go dtí 15:30 gach lá, Luan go hAoine. Tá seirbhís cúraim do leanaí in aois scoile i bhfeidhm san fhoirgneamh freisin, i seomra atá suite in aice le seomra an Naíonra.</p> <p>Tá sé beartaithe ag an tseirbhís:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • seirbhís pháirtaimseartha bhreise a chur ar fáil • na huairéanta an chloig oibríochta a athrú - beidh an tseirbhís sheisiúnach ag oibriú óna 9am go dtí 12pm agus beidh an tseirbhís pháirtaimseartha ag oibriú óna 9am go dtí 2pm gach lá, Luan go hAoine.
Áitreabh	<p>Feidhmíonn an tseirbhís as seomra amháin i bhfoirgneamh aon stóir atá lonnaithe ar thailte Chumann Lúthchleas Gael áitiúil i mBaile Mhúirne, sráidbhaile faoin tuath i gCo. Chorcaí. Tá seomra spraoi amháin, saoráidí sásúla athruithe clúidíní agus leithris do na leanaí sa tseirbhís. Tá leithreas amháin do dhaoine fásta sa tseirbhís. Tá limistéar spraoi daingean lasmuigh laistigh de thailte CLG.</p>
Soláthar foirne	<p>Tá sé beartaithe ag an tseirbhís triúr duine fásta a fhostú a bheidh ag obair go díreach leis na leanaí sa Naíonra. Beidh mórdhámhachtain i gCúram agus Oideachas Luath-Óige ag gach ball foirne.</p>
Modheolaíocht	<p>Cigireacht fhógartha a bhí sa chigireacht seo agus é mar aidhm aici measúnú a dhéanamh ar chomhlíonadh an Achta um Chúram Leanaí, 1991 (Seirbhísí Luathbhlianta) Rialacháin 2016 agus an Achta um Chúram Leanaí 1991 (Seirbhísí Luathbhlianta) (Leasú) Rialacháin 2016. Ar chúiseanna na cigireachta seo, díritear ar rialacháin faoi na téamaí seo a leanas: Rialachas; Sláinte, Leas agus Forbairt Leanaí; Sábháilteacht agus Áitreabh.</p> <p>Tá torthaí na cigireachta seo bunaithe ar fhaisnéis a fuarthas trí imscrúdú a dhéanamh ar dhoiciméid, trí bhreathnóireacht dhíreach a dhéanamh agus trí phlé a dhéanamh le baill foirne ábhartha leagtha amach sa tuarascáil ar an gcigireacht agus cuirtear san áireamh iad agus cinneadh á dhéanamh maidir leis an athrú in imthosca a chlárú. Forchoimeádann an Chigireacht an ceart chun eagarthóireacht a dhéanamh ar fhreagraí a fhaightear; ar chúiseanna lena n-áirítear soiléireacht; iomláine; agus comhlíonadh le próisis riaracháin agus dlíthiúla. Is í an Chigireacht a thiomasaíonn ábhar na tuarascála.</p>
Buíochas	<p>Is mian leis an gCigireacht buíochas a ghabháil le leis an Oifigeach Forbartha, leis an duine ionaid, leis an bhfoireann agus leis na leanaí a bhí i láthair ar lá na cigireachta as a gcomhoibriú ar fad.</p>

Cuid III - Bainistíocht agus Foireann

Rialachán 9 – Bainistíocht agus Earcaíocht

(1) *Cinnteooidh soláthraí cláraithe—*

(a) *go mbeidh sa tseirbhís duine i bhfeighil ainmnithe agus duine arna ainmniú nó arna hainmniú a bheidh ábalta gníomhú mar ionadaí de réir mar is gá.*

Ceanglas comhlíonta:

(1)(a) Tá duine i bhfeighil sa tseirbhís, chomh maith le duine eile arna ainmniú nó arna hainmniú atá ábalta gníomhú mar ionadaí de réir mar is gá.

Cuid III - Bainistíocht agus Foireann

Rialachán 11 - Leibhéal Foirne

(1) *Faoi réir an Rialacháin seo, cinnteooidh soláthraí cláraithe go mbeidh gach tráth líon leordhóthanach de dhaoine fásta ag obair go díreach leis na leanaí a fhreastalaíonn ar an tseirbhís réamhscoile.*

Ceanglas comhlíonta:

(1) Bhí seomra an Naíonra faoi lánseol nuair a rinneadh an chigireacht maidir lena oiriúnacht don fheidhm. Bhí 19 leanbh (ECCE) ó 3-6 bliana d'aois agus bhí triúr (3) duine fásta ann. Tá sé beartaithe go bhfostófar triúr duine fásta a oibreoidh leis an 22 leanbh sa tseirbhís sheisiúnach (ECCE) agus sa tseirbhís pháirtaimseartha.

Cuid V - Cúram Linbh i Seirbhís Réamhscoile

Rialachán 20 - Áiseanna Suaimhnis agus Súgartha

(1) *Faoi réir an Rialacháin seo, cinnteooidh soláthraí cláraithe—*

(a) *go bhfuil dóthain áiseanna oiriúnacha ar fáil do leanbh réamhscoile chun súgradh laistigh agus lasmuigh i rith an lae, ag cur san áireamh líon na leanaí réamhscoile atá ag freastal ar an tseirbhís, a n-aois agus an méid ama a chaitheann siad san áitreabh.*

(b) *go bhfuil áiseanna oiriúnacha ar fáil do leanbh réamhscoile chun suaimhneas a ghlacadh de lá agus d'oíche (má sholáthraítear seirbhís réamhscoile thar oíche).*

(2) *Cinnteooidh soláthraí cláraithe —*

(b) *de sheirbhís cúraim lae iomlán, seirbhís cúraim lae pháirtaimseartha, seirbhís réamhscoile sheisiúnach nó seirbhís feighlíochta leanaí a aistreoidh go dtí áitreabh eile an 30 Meitheamh 2016 nó dá éis, go soláthrófar san áitreabh spás lasmuigh a bheidh oiriúnach agus slán sábháilte agus a mbeidh rochtain ar bhonn laethúil ag na leanaí réamhscoile a fhreastalaíonn ar an tseirbhís air.*

(3) *Cinnteooidh soláthraí cláraithe de sheirbhís cúraim lae iomlán, seirbhís cúraim lae pháirtaimseartha, seirbhís réamhscoile sheisiúnach nó seirbhís feighlíochta leanaí seachas seirbhís den sórt a bhfuil feidhm ag mír (2) —*

(a) *go soláthrófar san áitreabh spás lasmuigh a bheidh oiriúnach agus slán sábháilte agus a mbeidh rochtain ar bhonn laethúil ag na leanaí réamhscoile a fhreastalaíonn ar an tseirbhís air*

Ceanglas comhlíonta:

Táthar tar éis an ceanglas a chomhlíonadh.

(1)(a) Tá seilfeanna ísle sa seomra spraoi atá inrochtana do na leanaí. Tá réimse leathan gníomhaíochtaí, trealaimh agus ábhar spraoi ar na seilfeanna agus iad go léir ag obair agus i ndea-bhail. Le haghaidh spraoi lasmuigh, tá sé beartaithe go mbeidh rochtain ag na leanaí ar an áit spraoi lasmuigh atá ann cheana. Tá dromchla uile-aimsire ar an áit spraoi seo agus tá fál daingean agus geata a bhíonn faoi ghlas agus na leanaí ag spraoi lasmuigh mórthimpeall uirthi. Chonacthas go raibh rogha de threalamh spraoi oiriúnach ar fáil do na leanaí agus iad i mbun spraoi lasmuigh. Bhí áis stórála faoi ghlas in aice leis an áit spraoi lasmuigh agus bhí an trealamh spraoi á stóráil inti nuair nach raibh sé á úsáid.

(b) Bhí trealamh codlata oiriúnach ar fáil do leanaí os cionn 3 bliana a dteastaíonn coladh uathu agus iad sa tseirbhís. Bhí leapacha inchruachta ar fáil, agus a línéadach féin ar gach ceann acu. Bhí suíochánra bog ar fáil sa seomra spraoi.

(2)(a), (3)(a) Tá rochtain ag na leanaí ar an áit spraoi lasmuigh atá lonnaithe laistigh de thailte CLG. Beidh an áit spraoi lasmuigh daingean mar is cuí nuair a bheidh na leanaí ag súgradh amuigh.

Cuid V - Cúram Linbh i Seirbhís Réamhscoile

Rialachán 22 – Bia agus Deoch

Cinnteadh soláthraí cláraithe go mbeidh bia agus deoch atá leordhóthanach oiriúnach agus taoisleannach éagsúil ar fáil do gach leanbh réamhscoile a fhreastalaíonn ar an tseirbhís réamhscoile.

Ceanglas comhlíonta:

Táthar tar éis an ceanglas a chomhlíonadh.

- Is iad na tuismitheoirí/caomhnóirí a chuireann an bia go léir a itear sa tseirbhís ar fáil.
- Tuigeann an tseirbhís go gcaithfidh na leanaí go léir atá ag freastal ar an tseirbhís pháirtaimseartha bheartaithe dhá shos le bia a bheith acu.
- Chonacthas go raibh buidéal óil na leanaí stóráilte ag airde na leanaí, rud a chinntigh go raibh rochtain ag na leanaí ar uisce óil an t-am ar fad.
- Bhí cuisniúchán leordhóthanach ar fáil sa tseirbhís chun bianna somheata a stóráil.
- Bhí rochtain ag an bhfoireann ar oigheann micreathonnach agus ar oigheann chun bia a atéamh nuair ba ghá. Tá an oigheann micreathonnach agus an oigheann lonnaithe sa seomra in aice leis an Naíonra a úsáideann an tseirbhís do leanaí in aois scoile.

Cuid VI – Sábháilteacht

Rialachán 23 - Sláinte, sábháilteacht agus leas linbh a chosaint

Cinnteoídh soláthraí cláraithe go ndéanfar gach beart réasúnach chun sláinte, sábháilteacht agus leas linbh réamhscoile a fhreastalaíonn ar an tseirbhís a chosaint agus cinnteoídh sé nó sí go mbeidh timpeallacht na seirbhíse sábháilte.

Ceanglas comhlíonta:

Táthar tar éis an ceanglas a chomhlíonadh.

Sábháilteacht Ghinearálta

- Bhí an príomhdhoras iontrála daingean go leor chun an riosca a laghdú go dtiocfadh duine neamhúdraithe isteach san áitreabh nó go n-éalódh leanbh gan mhaoirsiú.
- Tá na bréagáin agus an trealamh spraoi go léir sábháilte agus i ndea-bhail.
- Tá na fuinneoga inoscailte sa seomra spraoi agus sa leithreas ag leibhéal ard, as raon na leanaí.
- Stórálfar an trealamh agus na hábhair ghlantacháin as raon láimhe na leanaí sa seomra spraoi agus sna leithris.
- Ní fhacthas cáblaí scaoilte inrochtana ar bith sa seomra.
- Tá teastas um oiliúint gharchabhrach ag na daoine fásta sa tseirbhís agus beidh ball foirne ar fáil do na leanaí an t-am ar fad chun garchabhair a chur ar fáil más gá.
- Tá an bosca garchabhrach stóráilte ar sheif ag airde an duine fásta, as raon láimhe na leanaí.
- Bhí doras éalaithe éigeandála nua curtha isteach ó bhí an chigireacht dheireanach ann, Bhí aláram ar an doras éalaithe éigeandála nua seo. Bhí an doras éalaithe éigeandála saor ó bhac ag am na cigireachta.
- Bhí áiseanna stórála sábháilte ar fáil le haghaidh ghiuirléidí na leanaí, lena n-áirítear cótaí ar chrúcaí ar an mballa sa halla iontrála.

Rialú Ionfhabhtuithe

- Bhí teimpléid de na sceidil ghlantacháin ar fáil lena n-imscrúdú agus léirigh siad go raibh taifid ghlantacháin sonracha ag an tseirbhís.
- Bhí uisce te, leacht gallúnaí agus tuáillí páipéir ar fáil in aice le gach doirteal i leithris na leanaí, i leithreas na ndaoine fásta agus sa seomra spraoi. Leis seo, bhí na leanaí agus na

daoine fásta in ann a gcuid lámha a ní, de réir mar ba ghá. Bhí an seomra spraoi nua agus na leithris aeráilte go maith trí na fuinneoga inoscailte ag airde an duine fásta.

- Bhí an bruscar ar fad á chur isteach o mboscaí bruscair troitheánacha agus claibíní orthu.

Cuid VI - Sábháilteacht

Rialachán 25– Garchabhair

- (1) Cinnteoidh soláthraí cláraithe go mbeidh duine atá oile ar gharchabhair do leanaí ar fáil láithreach i gcónaí do na leanaí a fhreastalaíonn ar an tseirbhís réamhscoile.
- (2) Cinnteoidh soláthraí cláraithe go mbeidh bosca garchabhrach do leanaí a bhfuil an trealamh cuí ann—
 - (a) stóráilte go sábháilte in áit fheiceálach san áitreabh ar féidir teacht air gan dua, agus
 - (b) ar fáil i gcónaí do na leanaí a fhreastalaíonn ar an tseirbhís réamhscoile.

Ceanglas comhlíonta:

Táthar tar éis an ceanglas a chomhlíonadh.

(1) Bhí fianaise ar fáil sa tseirbhís go raibh oiliúint reatha deimhnithe d’Fhreagróirí Garchabhrach ag 3 duine fásta sa tseirbhís.

(2)

(a) Bhí an bosca garchabhrach stóráilte as raon láimhe na leanaí. Bhí go leor trealaimh sa bhosca garchabhrach agus bhí an bosca ar fáil go héasca ag an bhfoireann.

Cuid VI – Sábháilteacht

Rialachán 26 – Bearta maidir le Sábháilteacht Dóiteáin

- (1) *Cinnteoídh soláthraí cláraithe go gcoimeádfar taifead i scríbhinn—*
- (a) *ar aon druil dóiteáin a dhéantar san áitreabh, agus*
 - (b) *ar líon, cineál agus taifead cothabhála an trealaimh chun dóiteán a chomhrac agus na n-aláram deataigh san áitreabh.*
- (4) *Taispeánfar in áit fheiceálach san áitreabh fógra i dtaobh na nósanna imeachta a bheidh le leanúint i gcás dóiteáin.*

Ceanglas comhlíonta:

Táthar tar éis an ceanglas a chomhlíonadh.

(1)(a) Tá an ceanglas comhlíonta maidir le foirm a chur ar fáil d'fhonn druileanna dóiteáin míosúla a thaifeadadh. Rinneadh an druil dóiteáin deireanach ar an 31/08/2023.

(b) Bhí taifead ar fáil a léirigh líon agus cineál an trealaimh comhraicthe dóiteáin agus na n-aláram dóiteáin sreangaithe a bhí ar fáil san áitreabh.

(4) Tá ionad tionóil dóiteáin ainmnithe ag an tseirbhís i gcás dóiteáin.

Bhí fógra i dtaobh na nósanna imeachta le leanúint i gcás dóiteáin ar taispeáint sa tseirbhís.

Cuid VI – Sábháilteacht

Rialachán 28 – Árachas

Cinnteoídh soláthraí cláraithe go mbeidh an tseirbhís réamhscoile faoi árachas leordhóthanach.

Ceanglas comhlíonta:

Cuireadh luachan árachais faoi bhráid na Foirne Clárúcháin roimh an gcigireacht seo. Caithfidh an soláthraí cláraithe a chinntiú go bhfuil árachas leordhóthanach i bhfeidhm sula dtiocfaidh an t-athrú i bhfeidhm. Braitheann faomhadh an athraithe ar Rialachán 28 a bheith comhlíonta ag an soláthraí cláraithe.

Cuid VII – Ceanglais maidir le hÁitreabh agus Spás

Rialachán 29 – Áitreabh

Cinnteoídh soláthraí cláraithe

- (a) go bhfuil struchtúr an áitribh slán seasmhach,
- (b) sábháilte agus daingnithe,
- (c) go soláthraítear solas, teas agus aerú sásúil oiriúnach san áitreabh,
- (d) go ndéantar é a ghlanadh, a chothabháil agus a dheisiú, de réir mar is cuí, agus
- (e) go bhfuil go leor leithris oiriúnacha ar fáil.

Ceanglas comhlíonta:

Táthar tar éis an ceanglas a chomhlíonadh.

Leanfaidh Seomra an Naíonra ar aghaidh ag freastal ar leanaí idir 3-6 bliana d’aois sa tseirbhís sheisiúnach (ECCE).

(a) Ní raibh aon mhúscán na scoilteacha le feiceáil.

(b) Tá an doras isteach chun an tseomra an dlí seirbhís luathbhlianta daingean go leor chun daoine neamhúdairithe a choinneáil amach.

(c) Tá go leor fuinneoga inoscailte ag airde an duine fásta ar fáil sa seomra spraoi beartaithe agus tá fuinneog inoscailte amháin in áiseanna sláintíochta na ndaoine fásta agus in áiseanna sláintíochta na leanaí.

Tá go leor soilse síleála fluaraiseacha agus clúdaigh chosanta orthu sa seomra spraoi agus sna leithris.

Rinneadh teocht aeir sa seomra spraoi agus sna leithris a thaifeadadh ag 21°C le linn na cigireachta.

(d) Tá teimpléid den sceideal glantacháin ar fáil, agus bhí na hábhair spraoi go léir i ndea-bhail.

(e) Tá dhá leithreas ainmnithe agus dhá bháisín níocháin ar fáil do na 22 leanbh bheartaithe a fhreastalóidh ar an tseirbhís. Tá leithreas agus báisín níocháin amháin ainmnithe ar fáil lena n-úsáid ag na daoine fásta.

Tá an t-áitreabh nasctha le córas séarachais poiblí agus is ó sholáthar uisce poiblí a thagann uisce na seirbhíse.

Cuid VII – Ceanglais maidir le hÁitreabh agus Spás

Rialachán 30 – Ceanglais maidir le hÍos-Spás

- (1) *Faoi réir ailt (2) go (6), cinnteoidh soláthraí cláraithe go bhfuil go leor spáis ‘bán’ urláir ann le haghaidh obair, súgradh agus gluaiseacht na leanaí a fhreastalaíonn ar an tseirbhís réamhscoile.*
- (2) *Cinnteoidh soláthraí cláraithe seirbhíse cúraim lae iomláine nó seirbhíse cúraim lae páirtaimseartha go bhfuil an t-íos-spás ‘bán’ urláir arna sonrú i gcolún (3) de Sceideal 7 os coinne uimhir thagartha áirithe a shonraítear i gcolún (1) den Sceideal sin i leith raon aoise na leanaí a shonraítear i gcolún (2) den Sceideal ag an uimhir thagartha sin ar fáil do gach leanbh san aoisraon a fhreastalaíonn ar an tseirbhís.*
- (3) *Cinnteoidh soláthraí cláraithe de sheirbhíse réamhscoile sheisiúnach nó seirbhís réamhscoile i lárionad buail isteach go bhfuil íos-spás 1.818 méadar cearnach de spás ‘bán’ urláir ar fáil le haghaidh gach leanbh a fhreastalaíonn ar an tseirbhís.*

Ceanglas comhlíonta:

Táthar tar éis an ceanglas a chomhlíonadh.

(1) & (2)

Is ionann Seomra an Naíonra agus 48.2 méadar cearnach. Tá go leor spáis urláir ar fáil sa seomra spraoi beartaithe le haghaidh obair, súgradh agus gluaiseacht 22 leanbh (ECCE) sa tseirbhís agus 3 duine fásta a bheidh ag freastal ar na leanaí le linn sheirbhís sheisiúnach na maidine.

Tá go leor spáis urláir ar fáil sa seomra spraoi beartaithe le haghaidh obair, súgradh agus gluaiseacht 21 leanbh sa tseirbhís pháirtaimseartha agus 3 duine fásta a bheidh ag freastal ar na leanaí. Baineann an spás urláir 2.3 méadar cearnach in aghaidh an linbh a fhreastalaíonn ar an tseirbhís óna 12pm go dtí a 2pm gach lá.

(3) Baineann an spás urláir 1.818 méadar cearnach in aghaidh an linbh réamhscoile a fhreastalaíonn ar sheirbhís na maidine. (ECCE) Mar sin, ceadaítear uaslíon 22 leanbh idir 3 agus 6 bliana d’aois sa spás.

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Tusla I.D:	TU2015CC284							
Name of Service	Naionra Bhaile Mhúirne							
Address of Service:	Maigh Réidh, Baile Mhic Íre, Magh Chromtha, Co. Cork, P12 YD62							
Email Address:	joanne@cng.ie							
Name of Registered Provider:	Ray Mac Phaidin							
Type of Proposed Service:	Full Day Care		Part-Time	✓	Sessional			
	Drop-In		Childminding		Temporary			
Proposed change:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> From October 2023 the service proposes to offer an additional part time service. 							
Proposed Number of Children:	22 (no change)							
Recommended Change Following Inspection:	All changes approved fully							
Registered change:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adding an Additional Service Type from Sessional to Part Time & Sessional Change in Hours of Operation from 08:50 – 11:50 & 12:30 – 15:30 to 09:00 – 14:00 							
Date of Inspection:	0	6	0	9	2	0	2	3
Inspection undertaken by:	Ms. M. O'Reilly							
Title:	Early Years Inspector							
Tusla Early Years Inspectorate Address:	Administration Building, St Mary's Health Campus, Gurrabraher, Cork, T23X440							

Rationale for Inspection:

Proposed Change of Circumstance

Note: For Office use only, to be completed by Registration Office

Registration Status:	Registered Part Time / Sessional Service for 22 Children
Date of Registration	13 th September 2023

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Authority to Inspect

The Tusla Early Years Inspectorate carries out inspections of Early Years Services under Section 58(D) of the Child Care Act 1991 (as inserted by Section 92 of the Child and Family Agency Act 2013).

Description of Service	<p>Naíonra Bhaile Mhúirne first opened in 2004 and is a registered early years sessional service that caters for children from aged three to six years and attending the Early Childhood Care and Education Scheme (ECCE). The Naíonra is supported by Comhar Naíonraí na Gaeltachta. The current opening hours are from 8:50 to 11:50am and from 12:30 to 15:30 each day Monday to Friday. A school aged care service is also in operation in the building, in a room located beside the Naíonra room.</p> <p>The service is proposing to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • offer an additional part time service. • change the hours of operation- the sessional service will operate from 9am to 12pm and the part time service will operate from 9am to 2pm each day Monday to Friday.
Premises	<p>The service operates from one room in a single storey building located in the local GAA grounds in the rural village of Ballyvourney, Co Cork. There is one playroom, adequate nappy changing and toilet facilities for the children. There is one adult toilet in the facility. There is a designated secure outdoor play area located within the GAA grounds.</p>
Staffing	<p>The service proposes to have three adults who will work directly with the children in the Naíonra. Each staff member will hold a major award in Early Childhood Care and Education.</p>
Methodology	<p>The inspection was an announced inspection to assess compliance with the Childcare Act 1991 (Early Years Services) Regulations 2016 and Childcare Act 1991 (Early Years Services) (Amendment) Regulations 2016. The Inspection focused on regulations under the following themes; Governance, Health, Welfare and Development of the child, Safety and Premises.</p> <p>The findings on inspection based on information obtained through examination of documentation, direct observation, and discussion with relevant staff are documented in the inspection report and taken into consideration when making a decision in relation to registering the change in circumstance. The Inspectorate reserves the right to edit responses received for reasons including clarity; completeness; and compliance with administrative and legal processes. The contents of the report are compiled by the inspectorate body.</p>
Acknowledgements	<p>The Inspector wishes to acknowledge the cooperation of the Development Officer/Óifigeach Forbartha, deputy, staff and children who were present on the day of the inspection.</p>

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Part III - Management and Staff

Regulation 9 – Management and Recruitment

(1) A registered provider shall ensure that—

(a) the service has a designated person in charge and a named person who is able to deputise as required.

Requirement met:

(1)(a) The service has a person in charge and a named person who is able to deputise as required.

Part III - Management and Staff

Regulation 11 -Staffing Levels

(1) Subject to this Regulation, a registered provider shall ensure that there is at all times an adequate number of adults working directly with the children attending the pre-school service.

Requirement met:

(1) The Naíonra room was in operation when the fit for purpose inspection was carried out. There were 19 children (ECCE) aged from 3 to 6 years with 3 adults in attendance. It is proposed that three adults will be employed who will work directly with the 22 children in the sessional (ECCE) and part time service.

Part V - Care of Child in Pre-school Service

Regulation 20 - Facilities for Rest and Play

(1) Subject to this Regulation, a registered provider shall ensure that—

(a) having regard to the number of pre-school children attending the service, their respective ages and the amount of time they spend on the premises, there are adequate and suitable facilities for each child to play indoors and, where required by these Regulations, outdoors, during the day, and

(b) there are adequate and suitable facilities for a pre-school child to rest during the day, and in the case of an overnight pre-school service, during the day and the night.

(2) A registered provider—

(b) of a full day care service, a part-time day care service, a sessional preschool service or a childminding service that moves premises on or after 30 June 2016, shall ensure that a suitable, safe and secure outdoor space to which the preschool children attending the service have access on a daily basis is provided on the premises.

(3) A registered provider of a full day care service, a part-time day care service or a childminding service, other than such a service to which paragraph (2) applies, shall ensure that—

(a) a suitable, safe and secure outdoor space to which the pre-school children attending the service have access on a daily basis is provided on the premises

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Requirement met:	<p>The requirement has been met.</p> <p>(1)(a) There are low shelves provided in the playroom that are accessible to the children. The shelves are stocked with a large selection of activities, equipment and play materials that are all functioning and maintained in good condition. For outdoor play it is proposed that the children will have access to the outdoor play area that already exists that has an all-weather surface and is surrounded by a fence and gate that are adequately secured when the children are playing outdoors. Adequate selection of play equipment was observed for the children when playing outdoors. There was a locked storage facility beside the outdoor play area that play equipment was stored when not in use.</p> <p>(b) There was suitable sleep equipment for children over 3 years that required a sleep while attending the service. Stacking beds with individual bed linen was present. There is soft seating provided in the playroom.</p> <p>(2)(a), (3)(a) The children have access to an outdoor play area located within the GAA grounds. The outdoor play area will be adequately secured when the children are playing outdoors.</p>
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Part V - Care of Child in Pre-school Service

Regulation 22 – Food and Drink

A registered provider shall ensure that adequate and suitable, nutritious and varied food and drink is available for each pre-school child attending the pre-school service.

Requirement met:

The requirement has been met.

- All food and snacks consumed on the premise is provided by parents and guardians.
- The service is aware that for all children attending the proposed part time service that the children are required to have two food breaks.
- It was observed that the children’s drinking bottles were stored at child height ensuring the children had access to drinking water at all times.
- There was adequate refrigeration present in the service for the storage of perishable foods.
- The staff have access to a microwave and oven for the reheating of food when required. The microwave and oven are in the school aged care service room next door to the Naíonra.

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Part VI – Safety

Regulation 23 - Safeguarding health, safety and welfare of child

A registered provider shall ensure that all reasonable measures are taken to safeguard the health, safety and welfare of a pre-school child attending the service and that the environment of the service is safe.

Requirement met:

The requirement has been met.

General Safety:

- The main entrance door to the service was adequately secured to reduce the risk of unauthorised access by a person onto the premise or the leaving of an unsupervised child.
- All toys and play equipment in the proposed playroom are safe and in good condition.
- The openable windows in the playroom and toilet facility are at a high level and inaccessible to children.
- The cleaning equipment and materials will be stored in an area out of children’s reach in the playroom and toilet facilities.
- There was no evidence of loose and accessible cables in the room.
- The adults have up to date first aid certificates and a staff member will be available to the children at all times to offer first aid if necessary.
- The first aid box is stored on a shelf located at adult height out of children’s reach.
- The emergency fire exit door had been replaced since the last inspection. A new emergency fire exit door with an alarm was installed. The emergency fire exit door was unobstructed at time of inspection.
- Safe storage is provided for the children’s belongings which includes coats on wall hooks on the wall of the entrance hall.

Infection Control:

- The cleaning template schedules were available for inspection and demonstrated the service has daily specific cleaning records.
- There was hot water, liquid soap and paper hand towels available at all sinks in both the adult and children’s toilets and in the playroom. This ensured the children and staff could

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wash their hands as required. The new playroom and toilet facilities were well ventilated through openable windows at adult height.

- All rubbish was disposed of in pedal operated lidded bins.

Part VI - Safety

Regulation 25 – First Aid

- (1) A registered provider shall ensure that a person trained in first aid for children is, at all times, immediately available to the children attending the pre-school service.
- (2) A registered provider shall ensure that a suitably equipped first aid box for children—
- (a) is safely stored in an easily accessible and conspicuous position on the premises, and
 - (b) is available to the children attending the pre-school service at all times.

Requirement met:

The requirement has been met.

(1) There was evidence that three of the staff in the service held certified, up to date First Aid Responder (FAR) training certificates.

(2)

(a)(b) The first aid box was stored out of children’s reach. The first aid box was adequately stocked and readily accessible by staff.

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Part VI – Safety

Regulation 26 – Fire Safety Measures

- (1) A registered provider shall ensure that a record in writing is kept of—
- (a) any fire drill that takes place in the premises, and
 - (b) the number, type and maintenance record of fire fighting equipment and smoke alarms in the premises.
- (4) A notice of the procedures to be followed in the event of fire shall be displayed in a conspicuous position in the premises.

Requirement met:

The requirement has been met.

(1) (a) The requirement is met in relation to the provision of a form for recording monthly fire drills. The last recorded fire drill was on the 31/08/23.

(b) A record of the number and type of firefighting equipment and for the wired smoke alarm is available on file.

(4) The service has a designated assembly point in the event of a fire.

A notice of procedures to be followed in the event of a fire was on display.

Part VI – Safety

Regulation 28 – Insurance

A registered provider shall ensure that the pre-school service is adequately insured.

Requirement met:

An insurance quotation was submitted to the Registration Team prior to this inspection. The Registered Provider must ensure that adequate insurance is in place prior to the commencement of the change. The change approval is contingent on the registered providers compliance with Regulation 28.

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Part VII – Premises and Space Requirements

Regulation 29 – Premises

A registered provider shall ensure that the premises of the service are—

- (a) of sound and stable structure,
- (b) safe and secure,
- (c) kept adequately lit, heated and ventilated,
- (d) cleaned, maintained and repaired, as required, and
- (e) equipped with adequate and suitable sanitary facilities.

Requirement met:

The requirement has been met.

The Naíonra Room will continue to cater for children aged 3 to 6 years operating a sessional service (ECCE).

- (a) No mould or cracks are visible.
- (b) The entrance door to the early years’ service is adequately secured to prevent access by an unauthorised adult.
- (c) There are several openable windows at adult height in the proposed playroom and one openable window in the adult and children’s sanitary facilities.

There are an adequate number of fluorescent lights fitted with covers in the proposed playroom and toilet facilities.

The playroom air temperature and toilet area air temperatures were recorded at 21°C during the inspection.

- (d) Cleaning schedule templates are available, and all the play materials were in good condition.
- (e) There are two designated toilets and two wash hand basins provided for the proposed 22 children that will be in attendance. There is one designated toilet and wash hand basin available for use by the adults.

The premise is serviced by a public sewage system and the water source is from a public supply.

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Part VII – Premises and Space Requirements

Regulation 30 – Minimum Space Requirements

- (1) *Subject to paragraphs (2) to (6), a registered provider shall ensure that adequate clear floor space is available in the premises for the work, play and movement of children attending the pre-school service.*
- (2) *A registered provider of a full day care service or a part-time day care service shall ensure that the minimum amount of clear floor space specified in column (3) of Schedule 7 opposite a particular reference number specified in column (1) of that Schedule in respect of the age range of children specified in column (2) thereof at that reference number is available for each child in that age range attending the service.*
- (3) *A registered provider of a sessional pre-school service or a pre-school service in a drop-in centre shall ensure that a minimum of 1.818 square metres of clear floor space is available for each child attending the service.*

Requirement met:

The requirement has been met.

(1) & (2)

Naíonra Room measured 48.2 square meters. Adequate floor space is available in the proposed playroom for the work, play and movement of 22 (ECCE) children in the service with 3 adults directly attending to the children during the morning sessional service.

Adequate floor space is available in the proposed playroom for the work, play and movement of 21 children attending the part time service with 3 adults directly attending to the children in the service. The floor space of 2.3 square meters applies per each child attending the part time service from 12 to 2pm each day.

(3) The floor space of 1.818 square meters applies per each preschool child attending for the morning session. (ECCE) Therefore, the space allows up to a maximum of 22 children between 3 and 6 years.