

# TUARASCÁIL CHIGIREACHTA RIALÁLA RÉAMHCHLÁRÚCHÁIN

## TUSLA



Aitheantas Tusla:	TU2015CC285							
Ainm na Seirbhíse	Naíonra Bhéal Átha an Ghaorthaidh							
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	Buail Isteach		Feighlíocht leanúil		Sealadach			
Athrú beartaithe:	Athrú ar sheoladh na seirbhíse ó Scoil Fionnbarra Béal Átha an Ghaorthaidh Co. Chorcaí go Spraoi na Laoi, Béal Átha an Ghaorthaigh, Co Chorcaí P12NX82 Athrú ar líon na leanaí ó 22 go 33 Athrú ar líon na mball foirne go 4 Athrú ar na huairanta oibre ó 09:00 go 12:00 go 08:45 go 12:00							
An Líon Leanaí atá Beartaithe:	33							
Athrú Molta Tar éis na Cigireachta:	Seoladh na Seirbhíse: Spraoi na Laoi, Béal Átha an Ghaorthaigh, Co Chorcaí. P12NX82 Líon na leanaí 33 Líon na mball foirne fostaithe = 4 Uaireanta Oibre ó 08:45 go 12:00							
Athrú cláraithe:	Athrú ar sheoladh na seirbhíse Athrú ar líon na leanaí ó 22 go 33 Athrú ar líon na mball foirne ó 1 go 4 Athrú ar na huairanta ó 09:00 go 12:00 go 08:45 go 12:00							
Dáta na Cigireachta:	2	9	0	7	2	0	2	5
Cigireacht arna déanamh ag:	M. O' Reilly							
Teideal:	Cigire Luathbhlianta							

<b>Seoladh Chigireacht Luathbhlianta Tusla:</b>	An Chigireacht Luathbhlianta agus Gníomhaireacht um Leanaí agus an Teaghlach Tailte an Ospidéil, Cúil na nGarrán, An Sciobairín, Co Chorcaigh P81 PD78
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<b>Réasúnaíocht don Chigireacht:</b>
<b>Athrú ar Chúinsí Beartaithe</b>

**Nóta: D'úsáid na hOifige amháin, le comhlánú ag an Oifig Chlárúcháin**

<b>Stádas Clárúcháin:</b>	<b>Seirbhís Seisiúnach Chláraithe do 33 Leanbh</b>
<b>Dáta Clárúcháin</b>	<b>15Lúnasa 2025</b>

<b>An tÚdarás chun Cigireacht a dhéanamh</b>
Déanann Cigireacht Luathbhlianta Tusla cigireachtaí ar Sheirbhísí Luathbhlianta faoi Alt 58(D) den Acht um Chúram Leanaí 1991 (arna chur isteach ag Alt 92 den Acht fán nGníomhaireacht um Leanaí agus an Teaghlach 2013).

<b>Cur síos ar an tSeirbhís</b>	Is seirbhís sheisiúnach don aos óg í Naíonra Bhéal Átha an Ghaorthaidh atá i bhfeidhm ó 2004. Tá an tseirbhís ag beartú an méid seo a leanas: seoladh na seirbhíse a athrú agus líon na leanaí í is féidir leis an tseirbhís sheisiúnach a thabhairt isteach gach maidin a mhéadú. Tá sé beartaithe ag an naíonra freastal ar leanaí ó dhá bhliain agus sé mhí d'aois go dtí sé bliana d'aois. Beidh na huairéanta oscailte molta don tseirbhís ó 08:45 go 12:00 gach lá ó Luan go hAoine. Beidh seomra súgartha amháin i bhfeidhm ó 08:45 go 11:45 agus beidh an dara seomra súgartha i bhfeidhm ó 09:00 go 12:00. Oibríonn seirbhís cúraim do pháistí scoile gach tráthnóna ón áitreabh céanna, faoi bhainistíocht soláthraí cláraithe difriúil ná an tseirbhís luathbhlianta.
<b>Áitreabh</b>	Beidh an tseirbhís lonnaithe in ionad acmhainní i sráidbhaile tuaithe Bhéal Átha an Ghaorthaidh i gContae Chorcaí. Baineadh úsáid as an limistéar san ionad acmhainní a mholtar don tseirbhís don aos óg ar dtús le haghaidh seirbhís luathbhlianta. Tá an tseirbhís lonnaithe i limistéar ainmnithe ar an urlár íochtair d'fhoirgneamh aonair (ionad acmhainní). Tá limistéar tuirlingthe ann chun ligean do thuismitheoirí agus leanaí páirceáil nuair a shroicheann siad agus nuair a fhágann siad an tseirbhís. Tá a doras isteach féin ag an tseirbhís don aos óg, dhá seomra súgartha, leithris go leor do dhaoine fásta agus do pháistí, cistin agus seomra snámha/uisceach. Tá limistéar amuigh faoin aer in aice leis an bhfoirgneamh.
<b>Soláthar Foirne</b>	Moltar go mbeidh ceathrar ball foirne fostaithe le bheith ag obair go díreach leis na leanaí nuair a osclófar an tsaoráid ar an 26 Lúnasa 2025. Beidh mórdhámhachtain sa Chúram agus san Oideachas Luath-Óige. ag an duine i gceannas agus ag na daoine fásta a mholtar le bheith ag obair go díreach leis na leanaí sa tseirbhís.
<b>Modheolaíocht</b>	Cigireacht fógartha a bhí sa chigireacht chun measúnú a dhéanamh ar chomhlíonadh Rialacháin an Achta um Chúram Leanaí, 1991 (Seirbhísí Luathbhlianta), 2016 agus na

	<p>Rialachán fán Acht um Chúram Leanaí, 1991 (Seirbhísí Luathbhlianta) (Leasú), 2016. Dhírigh an Chigireacht ar rialacháin faoi na téamaí seo a leanas: Rialachas, Sláinte, Leas agus Forbairt an linbh, Sábháilteacht agus Áitribh.</p> <p>Déantar na torthaí na cigireachta atá bunaithe ar fhaisnéis agus a fhaightear trí scrúdú a dhéanamh ar dhoiciméadú, breathnóireacht dhíreach, agus plé leis an bhfoireann ábhartha a dhoiciméadú sa tuarascáil chigireachta agus cuirtear san áireamh iad agus cinneadh á dhéanamh maidir leis an athrú ar chúinsí a chlárú. Forchoimeádann an Chigireacht an ceart chun freagraí a fuarthas a chur in eagar ar chúiseanna lena n-áirítear soiléireacht; iomláine; agus comhlíonadh próiseas riaracháin agus dlí. Is é an comhlacht cigireachta a thiomsaíonn ábhar na tuarascála.</p>
<b>Buíochas</b>	Is mian leis an gCigire aitheantas a thabhairt do chomhoibriú an Chomhordaitheora a bhí i láthair ar lá na cigireachta.

### Cuid III – Bainistíocht agus Foireann

<b>Rialachán 9 – Bainistíocht agus Earcaíocht</b>	
<i>(1) Cinnteoidh soláthraí cláraithe—</i>	
<i>(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.</i>	
<b>Riachtanas comhlíonta:</b>	Comhlíonadh an riachtanas. (1) (a) go mbeidh sa tseirbhís duine i bhfeighil ainmnithe agus duine arna ainmniú a bheidh ábalta gníomhú mar ionadaí de réir mar is gá.

### Cuid III – Bainistíocht agus Foireann

<b>Rialachán 11 - Soláthar Foirne</b>	
<i>(1) Faoi réir an Rialacháin seo, áiritheoidh soláthraí cláraithe go mbeidh líon leordhóthanach daoine fásta i gcónaí ag obair go díreach leis na leanaí a fhreastalaíonn ar an tseirbhís réamhscoile.</i>	
<b>Riachtanas comhlíonta:</b>	Comhlíonadh an riachtanas. (1) Rinneadh iniúchadh maidir le hoiriúnacht don fheidhm gan leanaí bheith i láthair. Moltar go mbeidh ceathrar daoine fásta fostaithe a bheidh ag obair go díreach leis na leanaí nuair a osclófar an tseirbhís ar an 26 Lúnasa 2025. Beidh triúr ball dhuine foirne i Seomra 1 agus ball foirne amháin i Seomra 2.

Cuid V - Cúram Leanaí sa tSeirbhís Réamhscoile

**Rialachán 20 - Saoráidí scíthe agus súgartha**

- (1) *Faoi réir an Rialacháin seo, cinnteoidh soláthraí cláraithe—*
- (a) *ag féachaint do líon na leanaí réamhscoile atá ag freastal ar an tseirbhís, dá n-aoiseanna faoi seach agus don mhéid ama a chaitheann siad ar an áitreabh, go bhfuil saoráidí leordhóthanacha oiriúnacha ann do gach leanbh chun súgradh laistigh agus, i gcás ina gceanglaítear sin leis na Rialacháin seo, lasmuigh, i rith an lae, agus*
- (b) *go bhfuil saoráidí leordhóthanacha oiriúnacha ann do leanbh réamhscoile chun sosa i rith an lae, agus i gcás seirbhís réamhscoile thar oíche, i rith an lae agus na hoíche.*
- (2) *Cinnteoidh soláthraí cláraithe*
- (b) *cúraim lae iomláin, seirbhíse cúraim pháirtaimseartha, seirbhís réamhscoile sheisiúnach nó seirbhíse feighlíochta leanaí atá ag bogadh go háitreabh nua ar nó tar éis 30 Meitheamh 2016 a go soláthraítear limistéar amuigh faoin aer atá oiriúnach, sábháilte agus slán ar féidir le leanaí réamhscoile a fhreastalaíonn ar an tseirbhís rochtain a bheith acu air gach lá.*
- (3) *Cinnteoidh soláthraí cláraithe seirbhíse cúraim lae iomláin, seirbhíse cúraim pháirtaimseartha lae nó seirbhíse feighlíochta leanaí, seachas seirbhís den sórt sin lena mbaineann mír (2)—*
- (a) *go ndéanfar spás lasmuigh oiriúnach, sábháilte agus slán a bhfuil rochtain ag na leanaí réamhscoile a fhreastalaíonn ar an tseirbhís air ar bhonn laethúil a sholáthar san áitreabh nó*

**Riachtanas comhlíonta:**

Comhlíonadh an riachtanas.

(1)(a) Tá seilfeanna ísle ar fáil sa seomra súgartha atá inrochtana do na leanaí. Tá réimse mór gníomhaíochtaí, trealaimh agus ábhar súgartha ar na seilfeanna, agus tá gach rud ag feidhmiú go maith agus a ndéantar cothabháil mhaith orthu.

Moltar go mbeidh rochtain ag na leanaí ar an limistéar súgartha lasmuigh atá suite taobh leis an áitreabh, a bhfuil dromchla uile-aimsire aige. Tá an limistéar súgartha lasmuigh slánaithe le fál ard miotail agus geata le glas ag airde duine fásta Cinnteoidh an fhoireann go mbeidh an geata daingean go leor nuair a bheidh na leanaí ag imirt lasmuigh. Tá traein súgartha dhaingean le fráma adhmaid, fráma dreapadóireachta le céimeanna agus sleamhnán, dhá mhaide corrach agus luascáin le suíocháin tacaíochta do leanaí óga.

(b) Tá limistéar suí bog ar fáil sa seomra súgartha.

(2)(a), (3)(a) Tá rochtain ag na leanaí ar limistéar súgartha lasmuigh atá lonnaithe laistigh d'fhearann na saoráide. Beidh an limistéar súgartha lasmuigh daingean go leor nuair a bheidh na leanaí ag súgradh ann.

### Cuid V - Cúram Leanaí sa tSeirbhís Réamhscoile

#### Rialachán 22 – Bia agus Deoch

*Cinnteoídh soláthraí cláraithe go mbeidh bia agus deoch leordhóthanach, oiriúnach, cothaitheach agus éagsúil ar fáil do gach leanbh réamhscoile a fhreastalaíonn ar an tseirbhís réamhscoile.*

##### Riachtanas comhlíonta:

Comhlíonadh an riachtanas.  
Moltar go soláthróidh na tuismitheoirí na riachtanais bhia agus dí do na leanaí agus iad ag freastal ar an tseirbhís.  
Beidh uisce inólta ar fáil do na leanaí.  
Tá cuisneoir ar fáil chun bia solofa a sholáthraíonn tuismitheoirí a stóráil.

### Cuid VI – Sábháilteacht

#### Rialachán 23 - Sláinte, sábháilteacht agus leas an linbh a chosaint

*Cinnteoídh soláthraí cláraithe go ndéantar gach beart réasúnach chun sláinte, sábháilteacht agus leas leanaí réamhscoile atá ag freastal ar an tseirbhís a chosaint agus go bhfuil timpeallacht na seirbhíse sábháilte.*

##### Riachtanas comhlíonta:

Comhlíonadh an riachtanas.

##### Sábháilteacht Ghinearálta:

- Tá doras isteach na seirbhíse feistithe le glas cód eochair chun riosca go dtiocfadh duine neamhúdairithe isteach san áitreabh nó go bhfágfaí leanbh gan mhaoirsiú a laghdú.
- Tá gach bréagán agus trealamh súgartha sna seomraí súgartha molta sábháilte agus dea-bhail orthu.
- Bhí córas glasála ar na fuinneoga is féidir a oscailt a chinntíonn gur féidir an chuid uachtarach den fhuinneog a oscailt chun na seomraí súgartha a aeráil. Tá na fuinneoga is féidir a oscailt sna leithris agus sa tsaoráid athraithe clúidín ag leibhéal ard agus neamh-inrochtana do na leanaí.
- Tá urlár marmoleum curtha isteach le cuasáil ar fud na seirbhíse.
- Coinneofar na trealamh agus na hábhair glantacháin ar sheilf lonnaithe i limistéar nach bhfuil inrochtana do na leanaí sna seomraí súgartha agus sna leithris.
- Ní raibh aon fhianaise ann maidir le cáblaí scaoilte agus inrochtana sa tseirbhís.
- Bhí sreanganna dallóige feistithe ag airde duine fásta.
- Coinnítear an bosca garchabhrach i suíomh feiceálach nach bhfuil inrochtana do na leanaí.
- Ní raibh aon bhac ar na doirse éalaithe dóiteáin éigeandála le linn na cigireachta.
- Tá stóráil shábháilte ar fáil le haghaidh earraí na leanaí, lena n-áirítear málaí agus cótaí, i aonad stórála ainmnithe nó ar chrúcaí ar an mballa.

##### Rialú Ionfhabhtaithe:

- Bhí sceidil na dteimpléad glantacháin ar fáil lena cigireacht agus léiríodh go mbeidh taifid ghlantacháin laethúla ar leith ag an tseirbhís.
- Bhí uisce te, gallúnach leachtach agus rogha de thuáillí lámha páipéir nó triomadóirí láimhe leictreacha ar fáil ag gach báisín níocháin i leithris na ndaoine fásta agus na leanaí araon.

- Bhí na seomraí súgartha agus na leithris aeráilte go maith trí fhuinneoga is féidir a oscailt agus gaothairí balla ag airde duine fásta.
- Beidh an bruscar uile á dhiúscairt i mboscaí bruscair troitheánacha.

Cuid VI - Sábháilteacht

**Rialachán 25 – Garchabhair**

- (1) *Áiritheoidh soláthraí cláraithe go mbeidh duine atá oilte i ngarchabhrach do leanaí ar fáil láithreach, i gcónaí, do na leanaí atá ag freastal ar an tseirbhís réamhscoile.*
- (2) *Cinnteach soláthraí cláraithe go ndéanfar bosca garchabhrach atá feistithe go cuí do leanaí—*
  - a stóráil go sábháilte in áit atá inrochtana agus feiceálach go héasca san áitreabh, agus*
  - go mbeidh sé ar fáil do na leanaí atá ag freastal ar an tseirbhís réamhscoile i gcónaí.*

**Riachtanas comhlíonta:**

Comhlíonadh an riachtanas.  
Bhí fianaise scríofa ann go raibh teastais oiliúna Freagróir Garchabhrach (FAR) deimhnithe agus suas chun dáta ag triúr den cheathrar ball foirne sa tseirbhís.  
(2)(a)(b) Coinníodh an bosca garchabhrach amach ó na leanaí. Bhí an bosca garchabhrach líonta go leordhóthanach agus inrochtana go héasca ag an bhfoireann.

Cuid VI – Sábháilteacht

**Rialachán 26 – Bearta Sábháilteachta Dóiteáin**

- (1) *Cinnteach soláthraí cláraithe go gcoimeádfar taifead i scríbhinn—*
  - ar aon druil dóiteáin a bheidh ar siúl san áitreabh, agus*
  - líon, cineál agus taifead cothabhála an trealaimh comhraicthe dóiteáin agus na n-áláram deataigh san áitreabh.*
- (4) *Déanfar fógra faoi na nósanna imeachta a bheidh le leanúint i gcás dóiteáin a chur ar taispeáint in áit fheiceálach san áitreabh.*

**Riachtanas comhlíonta:**

Comhlíonadh an riachtanas.  
(1)  
(a) Tá an riachtanas comhlíonta maidir le foirm a chur ar fáil chun druileanna dóiteáin míosúla a thaifeadh.  
(b) Bhí taifead ar líon agus ar chineál trealaimh mhúchta dóiteáin ar fáil. Rinneadh an tseirbhís is déanaí ar an trealamh dóiteáin i mí Lúnasa 2024, agus rinneadh an braiteoir deataigh sreangaithe a thástáil agus a sheirbhísiú go deireanach i mí an Mhárta 2025.  
(4) Tá pointe cóimeála ainmnithe ag an tseirbhís i gcás dóiteáin.  
Bhí fógra i dtaobh nósanna imeachta a bhí le leanúint i gcás dóiteáin ar taispeáint.

Cuid VI – Sábháilteacht

**Rialachán 28 – Árachas**

*Cinnteach soláthraí cláraithe go bhfuil árachas leordhóthanach ag an tseirbhís réamhscoile.*

**Riachtanas comhlíonta:**

Comhlíonadh an riachtanas.  
Bhí fianaise ar árachas ar fáil. Bhí clúdach árachais i bhfeidhm do 33 leanbh. Is é an 27 Samhain 2025 an dáta éaga ar an dteastas árachais reatha.

Cuid VII – Riachtanais Áitribh agus Spáis

**Rialachán 29 – Áitribh**

*Cinnteoideh soláthraí cláraithe maidir le háitreabh na seirbhíse—*

- (a) de dhéanamhas fóna cobhsaí,*
- (b) sábháilte agus slán,*
- (c) a choinneáil ar lasadh go leordhóthanach, téite agus aeráilte,*
- (d) glanta, coinnithe agus deisithe, de réir mar is gá, agus*
- (e) saoráidí sláintíochta leordhóthanacha agus oiriúnacha.*

**Riachtanas comhlíonta:**

Comhlíonadh an riachtanas  
Molann an soláthraí seirbhís sheisiúnach a oibriú i saoráid atá curtha in oiriúint chun seirbhís luathbhlianta a sholáthar. Ó mheasúnú súl, is cosúil go bhfuil struchtúr fóna cobhsaí ag an áitreabh.

Moltar go mbeidh dhá seomra súgartha ag feidhmiú, Seomra 1 agus Seomra 2. Beidh seirbhís sheisiúnach ar fáil sa dá sheomra. Beidh na seomraí súgartha ag freastal ar leanaí ó dhá bhliain agus sé mhí d’aois go sé bliana d’aois agus éascóidh siad ar an Scéim um Chúram agus Oideachas Luath-Óige (COLÓ) a chur i bhfeidhm.

(a) Níl aon mhúscán nó scoilt le feiceáil.

(b) Tá doras isteach na seirbhíse luathbhlianta daingean go leor chun cosc a chur ar dhuine fásta neamhúdraithe nó leanbh gan mhaoirsiú rochtain a fháil.

(c) Tá roinnt fuinneoga is féidir a oscailt sna seomraí súgartha molta. Tá fuinneoga is féidir a oscailt, gaothairí balla nó aeráil mheicniúil i leithris na ndaoine fásta agus na leanaí agus ag sa saoráid athraithe clúdín.

Tá líon leordhóthanach soilsithe flúirseach, feistithe le clúdaigh, sa dá sheomra súgartha molta, sa chistin, sna leithris agus sa saoráid athraithe clúdín, agus sa seomra sruthlaithe.

Taifeadadh teocht aeir an dá sheomra súgartha agus na leithreas ag 22°C le linn na cigireachta.

(d) Tá teimpléid sceideal glantacháin ar fáil, agus bhí dea-bhail ar na hábhair súgartha go léir.

(e) Tá trí leithreas ainmnithe, aonad athraithe clúdín amháin agus trí bháisín níocháin ar fáil do na 33 páiste molta a bheidh i láthair.

Tá leithreas ainmnithe agus báisín níocháin ar fáil le húsáid ag na daoine fásta. Déanann córas séarachais poiblí an áitreabh a sheirbhísiú agus is as soláthar poiblí a thagann an t-uisce.

Cuid VII – Riachtanais Áitribh agus Spáis

**Rialachán 30 – Íoscheanglais Spáis**

- (1) *Faoi réir mhíreanna (2) go (6), cinnteoidh soláthraí cláraithe go mbeidh dóthain spáis urláir glan ar fáil san áitreabh le haghaidh obair, súgradh agus gluaiseacht leanaí a fhreastalaíonn ar an tseirbhís réamhscoile.*
- (2) *Cinnteach soláthraí cláraithe seirbhíse cúraim lae iomláin nó seirbhíse cúraim lae pháirtaimseartha go mbeidh an t-íosmhéid spáis urláir ghlain a shonraítear i gcolún (3) de Sceideal 7 os coinne uimhir thagartha áirithe a shonraítear i gcolún (1) den Sceideal sin i leith an raon aoise leanaí a shonraítear i gcolún (2) de ag an uimhir thagartha sin ar fáil do gach leanbh sa raon aoise sin a fhreastalaíonn ar an tseirbhís.*
- (3) *Ní mór do sholáthraí cláraithe de sheirbhís réamhscoile sheisiúnach nó seirbhís réamhscoile i lár iontrála a chinntiú go mbeidh íosmhéid 1.818 méadar cearnach de spás urláir glan ar fáil do gach leanbh a fhreastalaíonn ar an tseirbhís.*

**Riachtanas comhlíonta:**

Comhlíonadh an riachtanas.

(1) Tá spás urláir leordhóthanach ar fáil sna dhá sheomra cúraim chun saorghluaiseacht na leanaí a éascú agus iad ag glacadh páirt i ngníomhaíochtaí súgartha agus foghlama.

(2) Comhlíonann an spás urláir glan atá ar fáil an riachtanas do uasmhéid de 33 páiste.

**Seomra 1**

64.5m<sup>2</sup> a bhí sa seomra. Tá dóthain spáis urláir sa seomra súgartha do na 22 leanbh luathbhlianta (COLÓ) atá beartaithe chun freastal ar an tseirbhís gach maidin.

**Seomra 2**

24.19m<sup>2</sup> a bhí sa seomra. Tá dóthain spáis urláir sa seomra súgartha do na 11 leanbh luathbhlianta (COLÓ) atá beartaithe chun freastal ar an tseirbhís gach maidin.

(3) Ceadáíonn an spás urláir iomlán i Seomra 1 do na 22 leanbh seisiúnach atá beartaithe. Ceadáíonn an spás urláir iomlán i Seomra 2 do na 11 leanbh seisiúnach atá beartaithe. Tá íosmhéid de 1.818 m<sup>2</sup> de spás urláir glan ar fáil do na 33 leanbh atá beartaithe a bheidh ag freastal ar an tseirbhís sheisiúnach gach maidin sa tseirbhís.

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## Inspection Due to a Proposed Change of Circumstances



**Tusla I.D.:** TU2015CC285

**Name of Service** Naíonra Bhéal Áthá an Ghaorthaidh

**Address of Service:** Spraioi na Laoi, Béal Áthá an Ghaorthaigh, Co Chorcaí P12NX82

**Email Address:** joanne@cngg.ie

**Name of Registered Provider:** Ray Mac Pháidín

<b>Type of Proposed Service:</b>	<b>Full Day Care</b>		<b>Part-Time</b>		<b>Sessional</b>	↓
	<b>Drop-In</b>		<b>Childminding</b>		<b>Temporary</b>	

**Proposed change:**  
 Change in service address from Scoil Fionnbarra Béal Áthá an Ghaorthaidh Co. Chorcaí to Spraioi na Laoi, Béal Áthá an Ghaorthaigh, Co Chorcaí P12NX82  
 Change in the number of children from 22 to 33  
 Change from the number of staff to 4  
 Change in hours of operation from 09:00 to 12:00 to 08:45 to 12:00

**Proposed Number of Children:** 33

**Recommended Change Following Inspection:**  
 Service address: Spraioi na Laoi, Béal Áthá an Ghaorthaigh, Co Chorcaí. P12NX82  
 Number of children 33  
 Number of staff employed = 4  
 Hours of operation from 08:45 to 12:00 hours

**Registered change:**  
 Change in service address  
 Change in number of children from 22 to 33 children  
 Change in number of staff from 1 to 4 staff  
 Change in hours from 09:00 – 12:00 to 08:45 – 12:00

**Date of Inspection:** 2 9 0 7 2 0 2 5

**Inspection undertaken by:** M. O' Reilly

**Title:** Early Years Inspector

**Tusla Early Years Inspectorate Address:** Early Years Inspectorate, Child & Family Agency Hospital Grounds, Coolnagarrane, Skibbereen, Co Cork P81 PD78

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### Rationale for Inspection: Proposed Change of Circumstance

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

<b>Registration Status:</b>	<b>Registered Sessional Service for 33 Children</b>
<b>Date of Registration</b>	<b>15<sup>th</sup> August 2025</b>

### 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).

<b>Description of Service</b>	Naíonra Bhéal Átha an Ghaorthaidh is an early years sessional service in operation since 2004. The service is proposing the following: change of service address and to increase the number of children the service can accommodate in the sessional service each morning. The naíonraí plans on catering for children aged from two years six months to six years. The proposed opening times that the service will be carried out are from 08:45 to 12:00 hours each day Monday to Friday. One playroom will operate from 08:45 to 11:45 hours and the second playroom will operate from 09:00 to 12:00 hours. A school aged care service managed by a different registered provider to the early years service operates each afternoon from the same premise.
<b>Premises</b>	The service will be located in the resource centre in the rural village of Ballygeary in Co Cork. The area in the resource centre proposed for the early years service to operate from was originally purpose built for an early years service. The service is located in a designated area on the ground floor of a stand-alone building (resource centre). There is a set down area for parents and children to park on arrival and departure from the service. The early years service has its own entrance door, two playrooms, adequate adult and childrens toilet facilities, kitchen and sluice room. There is an outdoor area beside the premise.
<b>Staffing</b>	It is proposed that there will be four staff employed to work directly with the children when the facility opens on the 26 August 2025. The person in charge and the adults that propose to work directly with the children at the service will have a major award in Early Childhood Care and Education.
<b>Methodology</b>	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.  The findings on inspection based on information obtained through examination of documentation, direct observation, and discussion with relevant staff are documented in

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	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.
<b>Acknowledgements</b>	The Inspector wishes to acknowledge the cooperation of the Co Ordinator who was present on the day of the inspection.

### 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:**

The requirement has been met.

(1)(a) The service has designated persons 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:**

The requirement has been met.

(1) The fit for purpose inspection was carried out in the absence of children. It is proposed four adults will be employed who will work directly with the children when service opens on the 26 August 2025. There will be three staff in attendance in Seomra 1 and one staff in attendance in Seomra 2.

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 o*

**Requirement met:**

The requirement has been met.

(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  
 It is proposed that the children will have access to the outdoor play area located beside the premise, that has an all-weather surface. The outdoor play area is secured with a high metal fence and gate with a lock at adult height. The staff will ensure that the gate will be adequately secured when the children are playing outdoors. There is a fixed timber framed play train, climbing frame with steps and a slide, two fixed see saws and swings with support seats for the younger child.

(b) There is soft seating area provided in the playroom

(2)(a), (3)(a) The children have access to an outdoor play area located within the grounds of the facility. The outdoor play area will be adequately secured when the children are playing outdoors.

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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.  
It is proposed that the parents will provide all the food and drink requirements for the children while attending the service.  
There will be potable drinking water available to the children.  
A fridge is provided to store perishable foods provided by parents

### 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 entrance door to the service has a key code lock 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 playrooms are safe and in good condition.
- The openable windows had a lock system in place that ensures the upper part of the windows can open to ventilate the playrooms. The openable windows in the toilets and nappy changing facilities are at a high level and inaccessible to children.
- There is a marmoleum flooring in place with coving throughout the service.
- The cleaning equipment and materials will be stored on a shelf located in an area out of children’s reach in the playrooms and toilet facilities.
- There was no evidence of loose and accessible cables in the service.
- Window blind cords were fixed at adult height.
- The first aid box is stored in a conspicuous location out of children’s reach.
- The emergency fire exit doors were unobstructed at time of inspection.
- Safe storage is provided for the children’s belongings which includes bags and coats in a designated storage units or hooks on the wall.

**Infection Control:**

- The cleaning template schedules were available for inspection and demonstrated the service will have daily specific cleaning records.
- There was hot water, liquid soap and a choice of paper hand towels or electric operated hand driers available at all wash hand basins in both the adult and children’s toilets.
- The playrooms and toilet facilities were well ventilated through openable windows and wall vents at adult height.
- All rubbish will be disposed in pedal operated lidded bins.

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### 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 written evidence that three of the four 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.

### 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.

(b) A record of the number and type of firefighting equipment was available. The firefighting equipment was last serviced in August 24, and the wired smoke alarm was last tested and serviced in March 2025.

(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:

The requirement has been met.

Evidence of insurance was available. Insurance cover for 33 children was in place. The expiry date on the current insurance certificate is the 27 November 2025.

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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 provider proposes to operate a sessional service in a facility that has been adapted to provide an early years service. From a visual assessment, the premises appears to be of sound and stable structure.

It is proposed that two playrooms will be in operation, Seomra 1 and Seomra 2. The two rooms will offer a sessional service. The playrooms will cater for children aged from 2 years 6 months to 6 years and facilitate the Early Childhood Care and Education Scheme (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 or unsupervised access by a child.

(c) There are a number of openable windows in the proposed playrooms. The adult and children’s toilet and nappy changing facilities have either openable windows, wall vents or mechanical ventilation.

There are an adequate number of fluorescent lights, fitted with covers in the proposed two playrooms, kitchen, toilet and nappy changing facilities and sluice room.

The two playroom and toilet areas air temperatures were recorded at 22°C during the inspection.

(d) Cleaning schedule templates are available, and all the play materials were in good condition.

(e) There are three designated toilets, one nappy changing unit with three wash hand basins provided for the proposed 33 children that will be in attendance. There is a 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) Adequate floor space is provided in the two care rooms to enable the free movement of children, as they engage in play and learning activities.

(2) The available clear floor space meets the requirement for a maximum of 33 children.

#### **Seomra 1**

The room measured 64.5m<sup>2</sup>. The playroom has sufficient floor space for the proposed 22 (ECCE) early years children to attend the service each morning.

#### **Seomra 2**

The room measured 24.19m<sup>2</sup>. The playroom has sufficient floor space for the proposed 11 (ECCE) early years children to attend the service each morning.

(3) The total floor space in Seomra 1 allows for the proposed 22 sessional children. The total floor space in Seomra 2 allows for the proposed 11 sessional children. A minimum of 1.818 m<sup>2</sup> of clear floor space is available for the proposed 33 children attending the sessional service each morning in the service.