

# Early Years Inspectorate Regulatory Report

## Pre School

<b>TUSLA Identifier:</b>	TU2015CE115
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<b>Name of Service:</b>	Redeemers Preschool
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<b>Address of Service:</b>	131 Dun na hInse, Lahinch Road, Ennis, Co. Clare
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<b>Name of Registered Provider:</b>	Ruth Ogundare
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<b>Service type:</b>	Full Day, Part Time, Sessional
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<b>Date of Inspection (Day 1):</b>	16/10/2025
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<b>Date of Inspection (Day 2):</b>	21/10/2025
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<b>No of pre-school children (Day 1):</b>	AM	17	PM	17
<b>No of pre-school children (Day 2):</b>	AM	24	PM	23

<b>Address of the Early Years Inspectorate:</b>	Quality and Regulation Directorate Tusla Child and Family Agency Ennis Primary Care Centre Station Road Ennis County Clare V95TY4E
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<b>Title:</b>	Early Years Inspectors

### Authority to Inspect

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

### Conditions if applicable

Not applicable

### Description of service

Redeemers Preschool is a privately operated service which was established in 2007 in Ennis, County Clare. It is registered to provide full day, part time and sessional care for children ranging in age from one to six years. The service operates Monday to Friday from 08:30 to 18:00. The care rooms are located in an adapted single storey building and in two prefabricated structures to the rear of the service. An enclosed outdoor play area is located to the rear of the service.

### Staffing

Eight adults are employed by the service. On the 16 October 2025 seven adults cared for seventeen children. On the 21 October 2025 seven adults cared for twenty four children in the morning and twenty three children in the afternoon. The registered provider has an administrative role and also works directly with the children.

### Methodology

Tusla's Early Years Inspectorate is the independent statutory regulator of early years services in Ireland. The Child Care Act 1991 (Early Years Services) Regulations 2016 define the duty of a registered provider to ensure the safety and well-being of children and to comply with these regulations. This Act also gives Tusla the authority to assess compliance with the regulations. The purpose of regulation in relation to early years services is to ensure that the care, safety, and well-being of children attending such services is upheld. Inspections of early years services are planned based on the following:

- Previous inspection history
- Any information received in relation to the service

The findings on inspection are based on:

- Information obtained through examination of documentation
- Direct observation

- Discussion with relevant staff

This inspection was unannounced and focused on the area of governance, health, welfare and development of child, safety and premises and facilities. The inspection focused on an examination of compliance under regulations:

- Regulation 8- Notification of change in circumstances (1)
- Regulation 9 – Management and recruitment (1)(a)(b)(2)(a)(b)(c)(d) and (4)
- Regulation 10 – Policies, procedures etc of pre-school service
- Regulation 11 - Staffing levels (1) (2) (8)(a)
- Regulation 16-Record in relation to pre-school service (1)(h)(i)(k)
- Regulation 19 - Health, welfare and development of child (1)(a)
- Regulation 23 - Safeguarding health, safety and welfare of child
- Regulation 24- Checking in and out and record of attendance (3)(a)(b)
- Regulation 25- First aid (1)(2)(a)(b)
- Regulation 26- Fire safety measures (1)(a)(b)(4)
- Regulation 28-Insurance
- Regulation 29 –Premises (e)
- Regulation 30 Minimum space requirements (1)(2)

Inspection findings are documented in the inspection report which is first issued in draft format to the service with an opportunity to respond to any findings. Where statutory requirements are identified as not being met, the registered provider must demonstrate how they have rectified the non-compliance and will prevent any non-compliance from re occurring. The Corrective Action and Preventive Action plan (CAPA) will be used to inform decisions about compliance with regulatory requirements. Where the registered provider fails to meet the statutory requirements an escalation process may be commenced. 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.

## Additional Information

### Safety

#### 16 October 2025

Two immediate action notices were issued to the registered provider to respond to significant risks found under Regulation 23 Safeguarding Health, Safety and Welfare of child under General safety and safe sleep practices.

#### 17 October 2025

A response was received from the service outlining interim measures taken to remedy the significant risks. Please refer to regulation 23 in the body of the report.

### Referrals to other Agencies

A referral to the Local Authority Fire Officer was made on the 22 October 2025 regarding fire safety concerns observed on inspection. Further information is detailed under Regulation 23 in the report.

### Governance

The registered provider was invited to attend a Regulatory Compliance Meeting with the Inspection Registration Manager on 03, 12 and 15 December 2025 however the registered provider was unavailable to attend on any of these dates.

## Acknowledgments

The inspectors wish to acknowledge the cooperation of the registered provider, staff and children who were present on the two days of the inspection.

## Part II - Registration and Register

### Regulation 8 - Notification of change in circumstances

*(1) A registered provider of a pre-school service other than a temporary pre-school service shall, subject to paragraph (3), notify the Agency in writing of any proposed change in the details in relation to the pre-school service contained in the register pursuant to section 58C(2) of the Act or Regulation 7(2) at least 60 days before it is proposed that the change would take effect.*

### Non-Compliance Information

(1)

The registered provider was noted to be operating the service outside of its registration status.

On 16 October 2025 a nine-month-old child was cared for in the Wobbler room in the service contrary to the service's registration details which allows the service to care for children ranging in age from 1 to 6 years.

Attendance records indicated that this child commenced in the service on 05 September 2025. The service had not notified the Agency of the proposed change in age profile of children attending as required under this regulation.

It is acknowledged that the child aged nine months was not present on inspection on 21 October 2025.

### Corrective & Preventive Action submitted by the Registered Provider

#### **Corrective and Preventive Action**

The child aged under one year no longer attends the service. The service will adhere to the age range of children for which it is registered.

#### **Supporting documentation submitted**

No supporting documentation submitted.

### Summary Comment

Based on the findings on 21 October 2025 all children present were over 1 year of age. The age profile of children attending the service will be assessed on next 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,*
- (b) at all times during the period when the pre-school service is being carried on, the designated person in charge or the named person referred to in subparagraph (a) is on the premises, and*

*(2) A registered provider shall ensure that each employee, unpaid worker and contractor is suitable and competent taking into consideration the nature of the needs of children, including by-*

- (a) consideration of references from the person’s past employers, if any, and in particular the most recent employer, if any,*
- (b) consideration of references from reputable sources in the case of a person who has no past employers,*
- (c) consideration of the vetting disclosure received from the National Vetting Bureau of the Garda Síochána in accordance with the Act of 2012 in respect of the person, and*
- (d) ensuring, insofar as is practicable, that where a person has lived in a state other than the State for a period of longer than 6 consecutive months, he or she provides police vetting from the police authorities in that state.*

*(4) A registered provider shall ensure that, without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (2) and subject to paragraphs (5) and (6), each employee working directly with children attending the service holds at least a major award in Early childhood Care and Education at Level 5 on the National Qualifications Framework or a qualification deemed by the Minister to be equivalent.*

#### Compliance Information

(1)(a)

On the 16 and 21 October 2025, the registered provider was the person in charge, and a person was available to deputise in their absence.

(b)

The registered provider and a named person to deputise were available at all times during the two days of the inspection.

(2)

Eight files were reviewed in respect of the adults employed and working in the service. The findings included the following:

- (a)  
Nine of the sixteen references required in respect of eight adults were sourced from a past employer.
- (b)  
Seven of the sixteen references required in respect of eight adults were provided from a source other than a past employer
- (c)  
Garda vetting disclosures were available in respect of all adults employed by the service. The service demonstrated compliance with the Early Years Inspectorate Regulatory Notice requiring services to renew Garda vetting every three years.
- (d)  
International Police clearance documentation was provided in respect of six of the seven adults who had lived outside of the jurisdiction for a period of time.
- (4)  
Seven of the eight adults who required a childcare qualification working directly with the children held Early Childhood Care and Education qualifications at Level 5 and Level 6 on the National Framework of Qualifications or a qualification deemed by the Minister to be equivalent.

## Non-Compliance Information

- (2)(d)  
An international police clearance document was not provided in relation to one adult who had lived outside the jurisdiction. Not having all staff appropriately vetted may pose a risk to the safety and wellbeing of children attended.
- (4)  
One adult employed to work directly with the pre-school children did not have evidence of an Early childhood Care and Education qualification at a minimum of Level 5 on the National Framework of Qualifications or a qualification deemed by the Minister to be equivalent. Not employing all staff with a recognised qualification may impact on the care of the children attending.

### Corrective & Preventive Action submitted by the Registered Provider

#### Corrective and Preventive Action

(2)(d)

The outstanding police report is now on file.

(4)  
The adult that did not have evidence of an Early childhood Care and Education qualification at a minimum of Level 5 on the National Framework of Qualifications is not currently working in the service. This adult was employed about six weeks before the inspection and was awaiting the certification.

#### Supporting documentation submitted

(2)(d), (4) No documentation submitted.

### Summary Comment

(2)(d)

While the actions stated by the registered provider will address the non compliances identified, evidence to support same has not been submitted. This will be reviewed on next inspection.

(4)  
The non compliance in relation to the absence of evidence of a relevant qualification has been addressed as this adult is no longer working in the service.

### Part III – Management and Staff

#### Regulation 10 - Policies, procedures etc. of pre-school service

*A registered provider of a pre-school service shall ensure that the written policies, procedures and statements specified in Schedule 5 are in place for the service.*

#### Non-Compliance Information

1. The registered provider did not provide all the service policies that were requested by the inspectors on 16 and 21 October 2025.
2. A copy of the safe sleep policy was the only policy provided; however, the policy did not detail the safe sleep best practice guidance for early years services.

### Corrective & Preventive Action submitted by the Registered Provider

#### Corrective and Preventive Action

1. The policies have been reviewed on 30 October 2025, and continual professional development will take place on 20 December 2025. Implementation of policies will be monitored at all times.
2. No response submitted.

### Supporting documentation submitted

1. No documentation submitted.
2. No documentation submitted.

### Summary Comment

While the actions stated by the registered provider will address the non compliances identified, evidence to support same has not been submitted. This will be reviewed on next inspection.

## 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.*

*(2) Subject to paragraphs (4) and (5), a registered provider of a full day care service or a part-time day care service shall ensure that at all times the minimum ratio of adults to children specified in column (3) of Part 1 of Schedule 6 opposite a particular reference number specified in column (1) of that Part in respect of the age range of the children specified in column (2) thereof at that reference number is satisfied.*

*(8) Without prejudice to paragraphs (2) to (7)-*

*(a) a registered provider of a pre-school service other than a child-minding service or a sessional pre-school service shall ensure that there are at least 2 adults on the premises at all times,*

### Compliance Information

- (1)  
During both days of inspection, an adequate number of adults worked directly with the children in attendance.
- (2)  
On the 16 October 2025 the ratio of adults caring for children was maintained in the service. Seven adults worked directly with the 17 children in attendance in both the morning and afternoon. On the 21 October 2025 seven adults worked directly with the 24 children in attendance in the morning and 23 children attending in the afternoon.
- (8)(a)  
On the 16 October 2025 and 21 October 2025 more than two adults were available in the childcare facility at all times.

### Part IV – Information and Records

#### Regulation 16 – Record in relation to pre-school service

(1) A registered provider shall ensure that a record in writing is kept of the following information in relation to the service:

- (h) details of attendance by each pre-school child on a daily basis (full name, time of arrival and departure)
- (i) details of staff rosters on a daily basis;
- (k) details of any accident, injury or incident involving a pre-school child attending the service.

#### Non-Compliance Information

(1)(h)

The details of the arrival and departure times of pre-school children were not recorded and maintained accurately. This may pose a risk to the safety of both staff and children in the event of an emergency.

(i)

The staff roster did not detail the adult's full names and break times for the adults or details of the relief cover during break times. On 21 October 2025 the finish times for the adults was not recorded on the roster.

(k)

The four available records of accident, injury or incident involving pre-school children in 2025 were reviewed and these were not signed by a parent or guardian of the children as required after the incident occurred.

#### Corrective & Preventive Action submitted by the Registered Provider

##### Corrective and Preventive Action

(1)(h)

The service will design a proper record book which will be used from 01 January 2026.

(i)

The service will design a proper record book which will be used from 01 January 2026.

(k)

The incidents record book will be given and explained to the parents to sign.

##### Supporting documentation submitted

(1)(h)(i)(k)

No documentation submitted. The service advised that the new record book will be submitted when it is available.

#### Summary Comment

While the actions stated by the registered provider will address the non compliances identified, evidence to support same has not been submitted. This will be reviewed on next inspection.

### Part V - Care of Child in Pre-school Service

#### Regulation 19 - Health, welfare and development of child

(1) A registered provider shall, in providing a pre-school service, ensure that-

(a) each child's learning, development and well-being is facilitated within the daily life of the pre-school service through the provision of the appropriate activities, interaction, materials and equipment, having regard to the age and stage of development of the child, and

#### Compliance Information

(1)(a)

##### Basic Needs of Children:

The adults held and hugged the children when comfort was needed. The infant's nappies were changed on an individual needs basis and the adults carried out these procedures in a sensitive manner. The adults supported the older children to be independent during toilet training and in managing their own personal care.

Low level chairs were provided for the younger children to ensure they could sit safely at the low-level tables for mealtimes. The adults sat next to the children during mealtimes and table based activities. The younger children were encouraged to feed themselves and promoted to be independent. Appropriate crockery and feeding utensils were provided. A hot meal which was purchased from an outside catering company was provided to the children attending on a part time or full day care basis. Drinking water was available and accessible to the children in each room and in the outdoor play areas.

### 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.

#### Compliance Information

##### General Safety:

- The kitchen and items within were inaccessible to the children.
- Cleaning agents were stored appropriately and inaccessible to the children.

#### Non-Compliance Information

##### General Safety:

1. On 16 October 2025 the hot water temperatures at the children's wash hand basins in the main building and in the prefabricated structure were not thermostatically controlled. The recorded high temperatures

of 58.7°C and 63°C respectively posed a risk of scald injury to a child. These temperatures were above the recommended safe temperature of 43°C. An immediate action notice was issued and the registered provider responded that a plumber had been engaged by the service.

On day two of inspection 21 October 2025 the hot water temperature at the children's wash hand basin in the main building was recorded at 61.5°C. The remedial measures taken by the registered provider had not addressed the non-compliance.

2. The electric radiator in the wobbler room in the prefabricated structure had a surface temperature recorded at 56.3°C which posed a risk of a burn injury to a child.
3. Loose blind cords were dangling at the windows and accessible to children in the ECCE, Toddler and sleep rooms which posed a risk of strangulation.
4. The surface covering on the trampoline in use in the outdoor play area was torn which exposed a risk of children getting caught in the springs.
5. A trampoline was in use by the children in the outdoor play area where more than one child used the trampoline at a given time which was contrary to the safety guidance on the manufacturer's guidelines. Trampolines are prohibited from being used and are classified as unsuitable equipment for use in early years settings as they pose a risk of injury to children.
6. The safety harness attached to a high chair was broken and not safe for use.
7. A baby walker was observed in use in the outdoor area by a child attending the Wobbler room. This equipment is prohibited for use in early years settings in accordance with the child safety awareness programme due to the risk of injury to a child.

### Infection Control:

The following posed a risk of cross infection;

8. Four containers of ointments were not individually labelled. These were located on a shelf next to the nappy changing unit and were used for all children during the nappy changing process.
9. Two sleep beds were stored in the sanitary accommodation next to the nappy changing units.
10. A towelling cloth was placed on a changing mat and not removed between nappy changes.
11. Four sleep beds were located within 15cm to 31cm of each other in the sleep room and did not have the required 50cm space between the beds.
12. Two of the four mattresses could not be easily cleaned between use as waterproof covers were not provided.
13. A pedal operated bin was not provided in the children's sanitary accommodation in the main building.

### Safe Sleep:

The following practices are at variance with safe sleep best practice guidance and an Immediate Action Notice was issued on the 16<sup>th</sup> October as 2 young children were observed sleeping in equipment that was not suitable for sleep. These were not in use on day 2 of inspection.

14. On 16 October 2025 a nine month old child slept in a car seat in the Wobbler room with a heavy blanket covering the seat which blocked a view of the child. An infants car seat is prohibited for use for sleeping children in an early years service. This posed a risk of asphyxiation to a child.
15. A fifteen month old child slept in a buggy in the wobbler room with a blanket covering the buggy. Buggies and strollers are prohibited for use for sleeping children in an early years service. This posed a risk of harm to a child and did not adhere to best practice sleep guidance.
16. The adults did not physically observe and record each child's colour, position and breathing every 10 minutes in the Wobbler and sleep rooms. The adults did not remain in the sleep room while children slept on low level beds. This was at variance to the safe sleep policy of the service. This posed a risk of safety to the sleeping children.
17. Each of the four sleep beds used by the children in the sleep room contained a cushion and thick, heavy blanket. This is at variance to the service safe sleep policy. This posed a risk of safety to sleeping children.
18. A wall mounted thermometer which could not be calibrated to ensure its accuracy, was used in the sleep room as the only means of monitoring the room temperature. A thermometer was not available in the Wobbler room in the prefabricated structure to monitor the room temperature during the children's sleep time. This posed a risk of safety to sleeping children.

### Fire Safety:

The following posed a potential risk to impede the safe evacuation of children and adults in the event of a fire and a referral was made to the local authority fire officer.

19. Stair gates were fitted to the doors of the three playrooms, a sleep room and an office in the main building. The stair gates were difficult to open and obstructed access to and egress from these rooms.
20. The suitability of the smoke detection and alarm system could not be determined as there were only two ceiling mounted units in the service. One located in the hallway and a second located in the kitchen area. There was no record available for the installation or service of the fire detection system.
21. The door in the entrance hall of the service had a latch fitted to the outside which was opened and closed from the inside through a cutout hatch in the door. This door also had a bolt fitted to the top of the door on the inside.

22. The fire exit routes from the outdoor area located at the rear of the premises were restricted due to locked gates.
23. The fire exit routes from the building and fire assembly point were not clearly identified.

## Action submitted by the Registered Provider

### Corrective & Preventive Action

#### General Safety:

1. The service engaged a plumber and the hand washing hot water for both bathrooms has been thermostatically controlled between 43-45°C.
2. No response received.
3. No response received.
4. No response received.
5. No response received.
6. No response received.
7. No response received.

#### Infection Control:

8. No response received.
9. No response received.
10. No response received.
11. No response received.
12. The service has ordered appropriate beds for the sleep room.
13. No response received.

#### Safe Sleep:

14. The 10 month old child is no longer attending the premises. A staff meeting /training was held in relation to the whole sleeping policy. We would still continue with professional practice and a new sleep log has been designed for the service.
15. As per response above.
16. No response received
17. No response received.
18. No response received.

**Fire Safety:**

19 No response received.

20 The service has commenced works in relation to fire safety within the service in line with the timeframes specified by the Local Authority fire officers.

21 No response received.

22 No response received.

23 No response received.

**Supporting documentation submitted**

**General Safety:**

No supporting documentation received in relation to points 1 - 7.

**Infection Control:**

No supporting documentation received in relation to points 8 - 13.

**Safe Sleep:**

No supporting documentation received in relation to points 14 - 18.

**Fire Safety:**

No supporting documentation received in relation to points 19 - 23.

**Summary Comment**

The non compliances identified remain outstanding as the registered provider has failed to submit supporting evidence and a response on what actions have been taken to address all the non compliances. These will be assessed on the next inspection.

## Part VI - Safety

### Regulation 24 - Checking in and out and record of attendance

*(3) A registered provider shall ensure that-*

*(a) no person other than-*

*(i) pre-school child attending the service,*

*(ii) a person dropping or collecting such a child,*

*(iii) an employee, or*

*(iv) an unpaid worker, can enter the premises without his or her entry being approved by an employee, and*

*(b) a daily record in writing is kept of the entry on the premises of any such person.*

#### Compliance Information

(3)(a)

All entry by persons to the premises was approved by an adult working in the service.

(b)

A book to record the arrival and departure of visitors to the service was in operation and the inspectors were requested to sign in on both days of inspection.

## 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.*

### Compliance Information

(1)  
Six adults had a record of up to date Basic First Aid training and records indicated that at least one of these adults was in the service at all times.

(2)(a)  
Suitably equipped first aid boxes were stored in an accessible and conspicuous area in the service.

(b)  
First aid boxes were available in the service for use by the adults in the event of an emergency.

### Non-Compliance Information

(1)  
There was no adult available in the service with evidence of First Aid Response (FAR) training.

### Corrective & Preventive Action submitted by the Registered Provider

#### Corrective and Preventive Action

(1) All staff in the service have a Basic first Aid but First Aid Response is out of date. Out of 7 staff we have 5 that will be completing the First Aid response training on the 17th November 2025.

#### Supporting documentation submitted

(1) No supporting documentation received.

### Summary Comment

While the actions stated by the registered provider will address the non compliance identified, evidence to support same has not been submitted. This will be reviewed on the next inspection.

### 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.

#### Compliance Information

(1)(a)

Records were available to demonstrate that monthly fire drills were carried out by the service. The last fire drill took place on the 24 September 2025.

(b)

Up-to-date records of the number, type and maintenance service were available for the firefighting equipment. The most recent service of the firefighting equipment took place on the 29 September 2025.

(4)

A fire action notice was displayed demonstrating the procedures to be followed in the event of a fire.

#### Non-Compliance Information

(1)(b)

A record of the maintenance of the smoke alarms was not available in the service.

#### Corrective & Preventive Action submitted by the Registered Provider

##### Corrective and Preventive Action

(1)(b)

Work in relation to fire safety commenced on 08 November 2025 and evidence will be submitted on 17 December 2025.

##### Supporting documentation submitted

No evidence received.

#### Summary Comment

While the actions stated by the registered provider will address the non compliances identified, evidence to support same has not been submitted. This will be reviewed on next inspection.

### Part VI - Safety

#### Regulation 28 - Insurance

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

#### Compliance Information

Up to date insurance cover was available for thirty five children. The insurance policy for the full day care service is valid until the 27 March 2026.

### Part VII - Premises and Space Requirements

#### Regulation 29 - Premises

*A registered provider shall ensure that the premises of the service are-*  
*(e) equipped with adequate and suitable sanitary facilities.*

#### Compliance Information

(e)

A sufficient number of toilets and wash hand basins were provided for the adults attending the service. A sufficient number of toilets and nappy changing units were provided for the children attending the service.

#### Non-Compliance Information

(e)

There were insufficient numbers of wash hand basins available in the sanitary accommodation for the number of children attending the service. A second wash hand basin was not available for use in the nappy changing/children's sanitary facility. One wash hand basin, a children's toilet and two nappy changing units were provided in the prefabricated building structure that was used for the purposes of nappy changing and toileting.

#### Corrective & Preventive Action submitted by the Registered Provider

##### **Corrective and Preventive Action**

(e)

A second sink in the wet room had been fitted.

##### **Supporting documentation submitted**

(e)

No evidence received.

#### Summary Comment

While the actions stated by the registered provider will address the non compliance identified, evidence to support same has not been submitted. This will be reviewed on next inspection.

## 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.*

### Non-Compliance Information

(1)  
Adequate clear floor space was not provided for the children attending the service.

(2)  
Day 1: Adequate space was not provided for the children attending the Wobbler room and Play based room on 16 October 2025.  
Day 2: Adequate space was not provided for the children attending the Wobbler room, Toddler room and Play based room and on 21 October 2025.

Not providing adequate space for the number of children attending can impact on the safety and well being of both staff and children.

The following table illustrates the non-compliance relating to space requirements:

Rooms:	Number and age range of children present:	Type of Service required:	Space required per child:	Space available:	Space required:
Play based room 16 & 21 October 2025	6 pre-school children (2 – 3 years)	FDC	2.3 m <sup>2</sup>	6.04 m <sup>2</sup>	14.1 m <sup>2</sup>

<b>Wobblers room 16 &amp; 21</b>	6 pre-school children	FDC		12.1 m <sup>2</sup>	17.05 m <sup>2</sup>
<b>October 2025</b>	1 (9 months)		3.5 m <sup>2</sup>		
	4 (1– 2 years)		2.8 m <sup>2</sup>		
	1 (2 – 3 years)		2.35 m <sup>2</sup>		
<b>Toddler room 21 October 2025</b>	4 (3 – 4 years)	FDC	2.3 m <sup>2</sup>	9.11 m <sup>2</sup>	9.2 m <sup>2</sup>

### Corrective & Preventive Action submitted by the Registered Provider

#### Corrective and Preventive Action

(1)

The service has not had up to 35 children at a time. But at this stage the number of children will change to a maximum of 30 children.

(2)

We allow the children to be with the right age categories in the room so far as there is space.

#### Supporting documentation submitted

(1)

No evidence received.

(2)

No evidence received.

### Summary Comment

The non compliance under Regulation 30 (1)(2) remains outstanding.