

TUSLA PRE- REGISTRATION REGULATORY INSPECTION REPORT

Initial Inspection of Proposed New Service

Tusla I.D:	TU2026TY002
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Name of Service:	Busy Bees Baunreagh
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Address of Service:	Baunreagh House, Western Road, Via Cahir Road, Clonmel, Tipperary, E91 T6K2
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Name of Proposed Registered Provider:	Vanessa Moriarty
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Type of Proposed Service:	Full Day Care	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Part-Time	<input type="checkbox"/>	Drop-In	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Sessional	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Childminding	<input type="checkbox"/>	Temporary	<input type="checkbox"/>

Proposed service type:	Full Day Care & Sessional
Proposed Number of Children:	52
Outcome of the F06 Inspection (e.g., type of service, numbers, age ranges, times,)	Service can accommodate a maximum of 52 sessional children or 42 full day care children aged 2-6 years.
Registered service:	Registered Full Day Care & Sessional service for 52 children (Max 42 Full Day Care)

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Inspection Undertaken by:	Antoinette McNamara
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Rationale for Inspection

Proposed New Service

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

Registration Status:	Registered for Full Day Care & Sessional service for 52 children (Max 42 Full Day Care)
Date of Registration:	23/01/2026

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	This proposed full day care service will provide care and education for children aged between 2 and 6 years old. Full day care is offered 07:30 to 18:15, Monday to Friday. A three-hour session funded under the Early Childhood Care and Education Programme (ECCE) for eligible children, which will operate between 09:00 and 12:00.
Premises	The proposed service will be operated from a two-story, renovated building in Baunreagh on the outskirts of Clonmel town. The premises consists of four early rooms, sanitary accommodation, an office, a sensory room and a kitchen. The outdoor play area was secure and located at the back of the premises.
Staffing	The registered provider won't work directly in the service. There will be eight staff, including a designated person in charge, employed in the service who will work directly with the pre-school children each day.
Methodology	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 four 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 the inspection report and taken into consideration when making a decision in relation to the registering application. 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.
Acknowledgement	The Inspector wishes to acknowledge the cooperation of the proposed registered provider who was present on the day of the inspection.

Part III - Management and Staff	
Regulation 9 – Management and Recruitment	
<i>(1) A registered provider shall ensure that—</i>	
<i>(a) the service has a designated person in charge and a named person who is able to deputise as required.</i>	
Requirement met:	<p>The requirement has been met.</p> <p>The registered provider does not work directly in the service. There is a designated person in charge. A second named staff member is available to deputise as required.</p>

Part III - Management and Staff	
Regulation 11 -Staffing Levels	
<i>(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.</i>	
Requirement met:	<p>The requirement has been met.</p> <p>The registered provider is familiar with the Child Care Act 1991(early years services) Regulations 2016, Schedule 6 Adult: Child ratios and will ensure that there are always adequate numbers of staff working directly with the children attending the service. The registered provider is familiar with the requirement to have two staff present when registered and operating as a full day care.</p>

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—

- (a) of a full day care service, a part-time day care service, a sessional preschool service or a childminding service that is registered for the first time 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.

Requirement met:

The requirement has been met.

(1)(a) The care rooms provide sufficient space for the number of children that will attend the service. The rooms are set up with toys and equipment suitable for the number, age and stage of development of the children who will attend the service.

(b) There is a rest area available for the children in each of the rooms. Floor beds are also available for children who may need a nap. Children that are sleeping will be supervised at all times.

(2)(a) Children had access to a fully enclosed garden to the rear of the premises. The area has large spaces for the children to play with a covered area and a variety of materials for learning and play.

Part V – Care of Children in Pre-School Services

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.

The service had access to a small kitchen which is restricted from the children. Parents will be asked to supply the snacks and food for the children. The registered provider will have additional snacks available on the premises in the event that a child has forgotten their food. Water will be available to the children in each room throughout the day.

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.

Infection control:

There was warm running water throughout the service, that did not exceed 43°C.
 There were designated children’s toilets available. Designated staff toilets were also provided on the premises.

Administration of medication:

There was a policy on the safe administration of medications to children attending the service.

General safety:

The main door to the premises had to be opened by staff.

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) Documentary evidence was available to demonstrate that staff were currently trained in FAR first aid and will always be present on the premises.
- (2)(a) A suitable and fully equipped first aid box was available.
- (b) First aid box was stored in an easily accessible place.

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 registered provider was familiar with the requirement to carry out monthly fire drills.
- (b) Fire-fighting equipment and smoke alarms were present, and contracts are in place for the regular service and maintenance of same.
- (4) A notice of procedures to be followed in the event of a fire was displayed in the playrooms and the fire assembly point was clearly identified.

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.

An insurance certificate to demonstrate that insurance was in place was available.

Registration is contingent upon the registered provider maintaining up-to-date insurance coverage that accurately reflects the number of children attending the service.

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.

(a) The premises and outdoor spaces appear to be of sound and stable structure.

(b) There were adequate measures in place to ensure children could not leave unsupervised and unauthorized people could not enter.

(c) The playrooms were lit by natural light and ventilated through openable windows on external walls. Artificial lighting was also available. All sanitary accommodation had ventilation.

	<p>The heating system consisted of radiators which could be thermostatically controlled so that the surface temperature of the radiators in each room does not exceed 50°C.</p> <p>(d) The premises were clean, well maintained and in good repair. A cleaning policy and schedule was available for the service.</p> <p>(e) The service had adequate sanitary accommodation for the number of children and staff who will be present in the service at any one-time. There are eight toilets with wash hand basins.</p>
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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) Where a registered provider contemporaneously provides—*
 - (a) a sessional pre-school service, and*
 - (b) a full day care service or a part-time day care service, or both,**the minimum clear floor space applicable for the duration of the sessional preschool service in respect of the children attending that service shall be the floor space specified in paragraph (3).*

Requirement met:	<p>The requirement has been met.</p> <p>All rooms were remeasured during the inspection.</p> <p>(1) There is adequate clear floor space available to accommodate the numbers of children who will attend the new premises.</p> <p>(2) The playrooms were spacious and bright with ample clear floor space for the number of children who will attend the service.</p> <p>(3) There was sufficient space available for up to 52 children aged between 2 and 6 years old to attend on a sessional basis and 42 children on as full day care.</p>
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- Room 1: measures 30.91m² which allows for 17 children to attend on a sessional basis at a space requirement of 1.818m² per child or 13 full day care children aged 2-6 to attend at a space requirement of 2.3 m² per child.
- Room 2: measures 29.41m² which allows for 16 children to attend on a sessional basis at a space requirement of 1.818m² per child or 12 full day care children aged 2-6 to attend at a space requirement of 2.3 m² per child.
- Room 3: measures 29.31m² which allows for 16 children to attend on a sessional basis at a space requirement of 1.818m² per child or 12 full day care children aged 2-6 to attend at a space requirement of 2.3 m² per child.
- Room 4: 11.98 m² which allows for 6 children to attend on a sessional basis at a space requirement of 1.818m² per child or 5 full day care children aged 2-6 to attend at a space requirement of 2.3 m² per child.
- Due to fire conditions the service can only accommodate a maximum of 52 children at any one time.

(4) There was sufficient space available for the proposed sessional and full day care service to operate contemporaneous.