

TUSLA PRE- REGISTRATION REGULATORY INSPECTION REPORT

Initial Inspection of Proposed New Service

Tusla I.D:	TU2026WW001
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Name of Service:	ROS Brookfield Park Creche
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Address of Service:	Brookfield Park Creche Rathnew Co. Wicklow A67 H9N9
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Name of Proposed Registered Provider:	Amanda Spiteri
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Type of Proposed Service:	Full Day Care	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Part-Time	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Drop-In	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Sessional	<input type="checkbox"/>	Childminding	<input type="checkbox"/>	Temporary	<input type="checkbox"/>

Proposed service type:	Full Day Care and Part-Time
Proposed Number of Children:	6
Outcome of the F06 Inspection (e.g., type of service, numbers, age ranges, times,)	Full Day Care Part-Time Proposed number of children 6 Age range 0-2 years Operational hours 07:00 to 19:00
Registered service:	Full Day Care & Part-Time Service for 6 Children

Date of Inspections:	2	8	0	1	2	0	2	6
Second date of inspection	1	0	0	2	2	0	2	6

Inspection Undertaken by:	H. Bourke
Title:	Early Years Inspector

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Rationale for Inspection
Proposed New Service

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

Registration Status:	Registered Full Day Care & Part-Time Service for 6 Children
Date of Registration:	19/02/2026

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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	The proposed private childcare facility aims to provide full day care and parttime care for children aged zero to two years of age. The service proposes to accommodate a maximum number of six children at full capacity.
Premises	The proposed service consists of a single storey, purpose-built premises which can accommodate the childcare service. There are three service rooms available on the ground floor, two of which have been included for use, the third is a spare room at present and not considered for this inspection. Room one is called the Care room and the second room is called the Transition room. The Transition room has a dedicated sleep room. In addition, there is two staff offices, staff kitchen, washroom, maintenance room, staff toilet, sluice room and a sanitary area with disability access. There is a large enclosed outdoor area attached to the premises which can be accessed from both the Care room and Transition room.
Staffing	The registered provider has appointed a manager and deputy manager for the service. Initially there will be three adults working with children and these adults have all attained at least a major award in Early Childhood Care and Education at Level 5 on the National Framework of Qualifications.
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 four 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</p>

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	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 area manager, proposed manager, who were present on both days 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 registered provider has ensured that there will be a designated person in charge and a named person to deputise if required.
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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 service proposes to accommodate six children on a parttime and full-time basis with an adequate number of adults working directly with the children at all times. There will be three staff members employed in the service.
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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:

This requirement has been met.

(1)(a)(b)

There is a cot room with six standard cots at present. Low level beds will be provided for children who progress from using a cot to sleeping in a bed.

Suitable rest areas are provided in each service room.

(2)(a)

There is a large enclosed outdoor area provided to the side and rear of the premises; this area can be accessed from both service rooms. The area is suitable, safe and secure.

This outdoor space consists of a large, grassed surface area with a generous sized soft impact area.

There were no ponds, pits or other hazards observed in the outdoor area. There is an assortment of suitable toys available for the proposed age group attending the creche.

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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.

Parents will be requested to provide all meals and snacks for their child attending on a parttime and fulltime basis and food will be in line with the Health Eating policy of the service.

Refrigerated storage facilities are available for perishable food.

The staff will heat lunches as required for children availing of parttime and full day care services. Potable water will be available for children.

If a child requires additional food the onsite kitchen will provide a healthy snack as needed.

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:

This requirement has been met.

- The proposed manager stated the front door will be locked at all times, ensuring children cannot leave the service unsupervised and unauthorised access to the service cannot occur.
- The emergency exit doors were unobstructed.
- Storage is available for the proposed children's belongings.
- Cleaning materials and equipment are locked in a cupboard in the service.
- The kitchen is inaccessible to the proposed children.
- Outdoor waste facilities are inaccessible to the proposed children attending the service.
- A fridge is available in the kitchen for the storage of food.
- A cleaning schedule for toys and equipment is available.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The sanitary accommodations are well stocked with a sufficient supply of liquid soap and paper hand towels. The water temperature was recorded at 36.2°C. Foot pedal bins are available in all sanitary areas and care rooms for the safe disposal of used paper towels and other waste. • The creche rooms and sanitary accommodations are ventilated by openable windows and mechanical ventilation. • Push bars mechanisms are available on the creche rooms exit doors and turnkey mechanism on non-emergency doors and internal doors.
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Part VI - Safety

Regulation 25 – First Aid	
<p>(1) <i>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.</i></p> <p>(2) <i>A registered provider shall ensure that a suitably equipped first aid box for children—</i></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><i>(a) is safely stored in an easily accessible and conspicuous position on the premises, and</i></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><i>(b) is available to the children attending the pre-school service at all times</i></p>	
Requirement met:	<p>The requirement has been met.</p> <p>(1) The proposed manager has a current certification in FAR (First Aid Response) training.</p> <p>(2)(a) A suitably equipped first aid box is available for the service.</p> <p>(b) The first aid box was clearly identifiable and readily accessible.</p>

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 firefighting 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 proposed manager has indicated that fire drills will be carried out in the service when it is operational.

(b)

There was a commission date for firefighting equipment and the smoke detection system available on the premises dated January 2026 and November 2025 respectively.

(4)

A notice was displayed in a conspicuous place of the procedures to be followed in the event of a fire in both service rooms and around the premises.

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 an insurance policy for 12 pre-school children to attend the service on a full day care basis was available on inspection and expires on 27 March 2026.
 Registration of this service 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 proposed service is in a single storey purpose-built facility.
 (b)
 Currently the point of entry to the service is through the main door to the Care room and will be monitored by the proposed manager. The door locks automatically when closed and can be opened using the push bar mechanism from the inside and can only be opened with a key from the outside.

The outdoor area is secured with a mix of high wooden and metal fences and there are padlocked gates at the point of entry to the outdoor area to prevent a child leaving unsupervised and to prevent unauthorised access to the area.

(c)

The premises benefits from natural light via windows in the care rooms. There is supplemental artificial lighting also provided from covered ceiling lights in the service rooms.

There is an air to water heating system in place. Windows in the service rooms can be opened but have restrictors in place and there is a combination of mechanical and natural ventilation in all sanitary areas.

(d)

A cleaning schedule was in place in both service rooms. The premises and surrounding environment were clean and well maintained.

(e)

There is sanitary accommodation located within the Care room and the Transition room. The Care room has two child size toilets with two sinks, and a separate nappy changing unit and sink. The Transition room has two separate child-sized toilets and two wash hand basins, plus a nappy changing unit with a sink. A separate toilet and wash hand basin is available for adults and there is another sanitary area with disability access.

Thermostatically controlled hot water was available in the children’s sanitary areas and the temperature of the water in the low sinks was 36.2°C.

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.*

Requirement met:

The requirement has been met.

(1)

Adequate clear floor space has been provided for the work, play and movement of the number of children proposing to attend the service as demonstrated below:

(2)

Room 1. (Care Room)

The clear floor space in the room measured 38.12 square metres.

Room 2. (Transition Room)

The clear floor space in the room measured 26.32 square metres.

There is sufficient space in the service to cater for the proposed six pre-school children on a part-time/full time basis in the proposed age range.