



## **NEW CHILDREN AND FAMILIES WELLBEING SERVICE AND RE-DESIGNATION OF CHILDREN CENTRES- 2019.**

A press release has also been issued about this, which is available here: <https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/news/new-children-and-families-wellbeing-service>

### **UPDATE - new Children and Families Wellbeing Service and the re-designation of children's centres**

A new family and wellbeing service will launch in April, following Leicestershire County Council's review of its early help offering.

The new-style service will focus on supporting the most vulnerable families in Leicestershire and will bring together four existing services into one.

These services are the Children's Centre programme, Supporting Leicestershire Families (SLF), Youth Offending Service (YOS) and Information, Support and Assessment teams.

When it met last summer, the council's cabinet earmarked an extra £2m for supporting vulnerable people, meaning six more centres would be able to remain open than originally proposed.

The updated proposals have been published following a three-month consultation which attracted nearly 800 responses.

The new 0-19 Family Wellbeing Service will be delivered through drop -n clinics, group work and/or casework.

There are currently 40 fixed buildings from which service users can access Early Help Services - 36 Children's Centres and four SLF Centres.

The new integrated service will be delivered from 21 Family Wellbeing Centres; a reduction of 19 buildings. The location of these buildings is based on a number of criteria including their location, accessibility suitability for future use, current use and geographical distribution across the county.

**What's happening to my local children's centre?**



A list of which children centres will remain open, and which will be re-designated, is below.

The majority of the re-designated centres will close as children’s centres on or before **March 31**. However, four centres will remain open for longer, due to the expiry dates for the lease. These are The Cove and Fairmead in Melton, The Bobbin Factory in South Wigston and Ibstock.”

Not all of the buildings are owned by the council, but we are working to ensure that as many as possible will remain open in another capacity, for the benefit of the community and local families.

Information and updates will be available via our webpage here: <https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/childrens-centre-update>

If you have any queries, please do speak to your local children’s centre coordinator or email us at [CFSWellbeingService@leics.gov.uk](mailto:CFSWellbeingService@leics.gov.uk)

For now, activity and support continues in all children’s centres across Leicestershire.

More information on the review is available via last July’s cabinet report on this here: <http://politics.leics.gov.uk/documents/s138913/Early%20Help%20Review%20Cabinet%20Report.pdf>

Centres to remain open	Centres to be redesignated
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Melton - Venture House (SLF Centre)</li> <li>2. <i>Melton – The Edge*</i></li> <li>3. Thurmaston</li> <li>4. Wigston Magna</li> <li>5. Loughborough West</li> <li>6. Loughborough Mountfields (SLF Centre)</li> <li>7. Earl Shilton</li> <li>8. Hinckley East</li> <li>9. Lutterworth</li> <li>10. Market Harborough</li> <li>11. Coalville</li> <li>12. Northern Parishes</li> <li>13. Measham</li> <li>14. Coalville Greenhill (SLF Centre)</li> <li>15. Huncote</li> <li>16. <i>Loughborough - Shelthorpe*</i></li> <li>17. <i>Bagworth*</i></li> <li>18. <i>Broughton Astley*</i></li> <li>19. <i>Moira*</i></li> <li>20. <i>Braunstone*</i></li> <li>21. <i>Barwell*</i></li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Loughborough - Cobden</li> <li>2. Coalville - Warren Hills</li> <li>3. Mountsorrel</li> <li>4. Desford</li> <li>5. Hinckley Westfield</li> <li>6. Hinckley West</li> <li>7. Melton - The Cove</li> <li>8. Ashby de la Zouch</li> <li>9. Ibstock</li> <li>10. Thringstone</li> <li>11. Countesthorpe</li> <li>12. South Wigston</li> <li>13. Anstey</li> <li>14. Fleckney</li> <li>15. Bushby</li> <li>16. Vale of Belvoir</li> <li>17. Melton - Fairmead</li> <li>18. Market Harborough Satellite (SLF Centre)</li> <li>19. <i>Shepshed*</i></li> </ol> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Changes from original proposals are in <i>italics</i>*</b></p>