

Childminder Plus (RBWM Short Break)

RBWM's Children and Young People Disability Service co-ordinates the Childminder Plus service as part of its programme to provide families with short breaks. Childminder Plus provides families with a bank of specialist childminders trained to work with children and young people aged 0-18 with special educational needs and disabilities. The childminders are Ofsted registered and are part of RBWM's community childminders.



This scheme is used for short breaks in the day, after school, weekends and overnight but is not used for day to day childcare for parents and carers to go out to work. Childminder Plus is also available during the holiday periods.

The child or young person is generally looked after within the Childminder's home, where they have access to a range of suitable play equipment and facilities to promote their learning and development. The Childminders may also take the child or young person to groups and on outings.

Referral for Short Break Services is through the Early Help and Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH). See the referral section below for details.

Who to contact

Contact Name	Children and Young People Disability Service
Telephone	CYPDS: 01628 685878, MASH: 01628 683150
E-mail	CYPDS@achievingforchildren.org.uk or MASH@achievingforchildren.org.uk

Where to go

Name	Various venues across the local area
Address	Windsor, Maidenhead and Ascot

When is it on?

Session Information	Various times during the day weekends and overnight
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Other details

Referral required?	Yes
Age Range	0-18

Local Offer

Is your service accessible?

The Childminder Plus scheme is accessible for a range of needs including children and young people with physical difficulties, medical needs and limited communication (through the use of Makaton, PECs and communication books). Where a child/young person has complex medical needs such as epilepsy or gastrostomy feeding, Childminders would have training with the Community Nursing Team on individual medical care plans.

What are the eligibility criteria for your service?

Access to Childminder Plus depends on an assessment of need carried out by the Children and Young People Disability Service.



The eligibility criteria for the Children and Young People Disability Service is available under 'useful documents' to the right of this page.

How are referrals/applications made to your service?

If you would like to make a new referral for short break services, please contact the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) and Early Help Hub on 01628 683150 or email MASH@achievingforchildren.org.uk.. Further information and request forms for the MASH are available on the Local Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB) and Royal Borough website.

[Click here](#)

Families who are receiving ongoing services from the Children and Young People Disability Service can contact the service directly on 01628 685878 or email CYPDS@achievingforchildren.org.uk.

Who provides / funds your service?

Local Authority

Are children, young people, parents / carers charged for your service?

No

Details of charges, whether any help is available with costs

Where a child or young person is accessing the Childminder Plus scheme as part of an assessed Short Break through the Children and Young People Disability Service, families are not charged.

Feedback and complaints procedure

Any feedback or complaints are managed under RBWM's Complaint policy for Children's Social Care. This is available at the following on the Council website. www.rbwm.gov.uk.

[Click here](#)

You can also call on 01628 685878 or email CYPDS@achievingforchildren.org.uk. for details of the complaints process.

How will I know my child/ young person will be safe using this service?

All Childminders who are part of the Childminder Plus scheme have an enhanced DBS (previously known as CRB) check. They also access to targeted safeguarding children training.

Local Offer Age Bands

0-5, 5-11, 11-16, Preparing for Adulthood

SEN Provision Type

Specialist

Supporting people with

- Autism
- Behavioural, emotional, social difficulties
- Hearing impairment
- Medical needs
- Moderate learning difficulties
- Physical disabilities
- Profound and multiple learning difficulties
- Severe learning difficulties
- Specific learning difficulties
- Speech, language communication needs
- Visual Impairment



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