



Forum Voice Report & Claim Form

Name	Jackie Oversby
Partnership group attended	Early Years
Date of meeting attended	26.4.10
Dates of next meeting/future meetings (where known)	17.6.10, 9.9.10, 4.11.10

Please provide a brief report from your meeting using a bullet point format in the box below on issues that will, or could be, of interest to colleagues in the Voluntary, Community and Faith Sector. Examples could be information on the implementation of new regulatory/legislative change, how services are being provided in partnership, what opportunities might come forward for their involvement and issues which the representatives on the LSP need to know.

Please indicate 'Confidential' where sensitive information shouldn't be shared widely with colleagues in the short term.

Point 1	71 children have had nursery places funded for them in the '2 year old pilot'. No children can be taken on who will not be three by 31.3.11 as the funding has not been promised after that date. A list of children is being kept in case the situation changes.
Point 2	Norcot, Blagdon, Southcote and Whitley will be in the first round of Children's Centres to have Ofsted Inspections. There is a programme of support and training for staff to prepare them for these.
Point 3	Mandy da Silva, the Equalities Services Manager gave a report about the work she is doing to narrow the attainment gap between Early Years Foundation pupils and All Reading Pupils and to address the overrepresentation of Minority Ethnic pupils in the lowest 20% achieving the National benchmark.