



Waterford City Childcare Committee Ltd.
Coiste Cúraim Leanai Chathair Phort Láirge

**Waterford City Childcare Committee
Unit 51
Tycor Business Centre,
Waterford**

051 – 860444

**Childcare Centres
(Pre-schools, Play Groups and Crèches and
Voluntary Notified and Notified Childminders)**



Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte
Health Service Executive

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Description of Services

Full Day Care:

Full Day Care Services offer care and education to children for more than 3.5 hours per day.

Sessional Care:

Sessional Services offer care and education to children for up to 3.5 hours per day.

Drop In Centres:

They offer care to children while parents/guardians are attending an event or availing of a service within that establishment.

Childminders:

Childminders usually look after children in the minders home. Childminders who care for 4 or more children are legally required to notify their service to Health Service Executive, they receive an inspection from the Pre-school Services Officer. Childminders who care for 3 children or less are invited to voluntarily notify their service to Waterford City Childcare Committee. These childminders receive an advisory visit to their home from the Childminding Advisory Officer of Waterford City Childcare Committee.

Pre Schools in National Schools:

Pre Schools generally operate within the National School structure and operate as feeder classes into the schools Junior Infants class. The curriculum covered is mainly educational and the service offered is mainly sessional for children aged 3 - 5 years. These pre schools operate in tandem with the primary school year, and close for the same holidays over Christmas, Easter, Summer etc.

Community Play Groups:

Community Playgroups are sessional services which operate for up to three and a half hours a day for pre school children aged from 3 – 5 years, providing play and socializing opportunities. They are managed by a voluntary management committee, and are usually housed in a community owned centre and are non profit making.

Private Day Care Facilities:

Private Day Care facilities are generally run as an individual's business. They tend to provide a full day care service, and numbers catered for may be less than are catered for in community based services. Fees charged are generally at the discretion of the proprietor. Private Day Care facilities generally close for shorter holidays than Community/Pre School facilities.

Community Day Care Facilities:

Community Day Care facilities are generally run in the community by the community and on a 'not for profit' basis. They generally provide a full day care service. Fees charged are usually on a sliding scale dependent on means of the families. Private Day Care facilities generally

Drop In Crèche Facilities:

Drop in crèche facilities are generally provided by large shopping facilities, leisure centres and similar establishments. Children are cared for as part of a customer service provided, they offer care to children while parents/guardians are attending an event or availing of a service within that establishment.

Fees may vary and the length of time the child can stay may also vary from place to place.

Montessori Pre Schools:

Montessori Pre Schools are private pre schools who provide a sessional pre school service using the Montessori Method of learning. The age of children catered for ranges from 3 years - 6 years. These services also operate in tandem with the general school holidays.

Private Play Groups:

Private Playgroups generally offer childcare on a sessional basis, with a learning through play, focus. They may cater for children up to 5 years of age, and can be community or privately run.

School Age Childcare Facilities

School Age childcare facilities are services which provide extended day care for school aged children, usually from Monday to Friday.

Voluntary Notified Childminders (minding 3 children or less)

Name	Address	Telephone No.
Karen Brennan	10 Bracken Grove, Waterford	051 856668
Tara Collins	4 Briot Drive, Templers Hall, Waterford	051 590694
Martina Falconer	23 The Folly, Waterford	051 843934
Ruth Hanamy	62 Ardleigh, Bracken Grove, Waterford	051 871722
Lynn McCarthy	278 Larchville, Waterford	087 0519348
Janet Murphy	8 Clifton Court, Lower Grange, Waterford	051 870240
Linda Murphy	33 Pheasant Walk, Collins Ave., Dunmore Rd., Waterford	051 820118 087 2748453
Bernie Power	23 The Willows, Keans Rd. Waterford	051 371223
Mairead Power	5 Castlecor Close, Powerscourt, Dunmore Rd, Waterford	051 870477
Mary Reidy	Hillcrest, Arbor Rd, Lisduggan	051 351658
Miriam Ryan	26 The Willows, Keans Rd., Waterford	051 357442 087 6865802
Martina Flynn – Shanahan	30 Bracken Grove, Waterford	051 311573
Yvonne Thornberry	Ballycashin, Butlerstown, Waterford	051 384869
Tess Wall	31 Crescent Drive, Hillview, Waterford	051 355378

Notified Childminders to Health Service Executive (minding 4 or more children - max 6)

Name	Address	Telephone No.
Adrienne Byrne	68 Viewmount Park, Waterford	051 858487
Brenda Colgan	26 The Sycamores, Dunmore Rd., Waterford	051 877848
Phil Ryan	3 The Meadow, Ballinakill Downs, Dunmore Rd., Waterford	051 854056

Pre-Schools in National Schools

Name	Address	Phone
Play School	Mount Sion N.S Barrack St., Waterford	051-377947 Contact: Mary Grant
Our Lady's Nursery School,	Ursuline N.S Ballytruckle, Waterford	086-8788142 Contact: Mairead Coady
St. Declan's Pre-School	Water St., Waterford	051-855200 Contact: Eamon O Mahoney
Mercy Pre-School	Mercy Convent N.S Military Rd., Waterford	051-877134 Contact: Kitty Rouse
Stephen St. Pre-School	25 Patrick St., Waterford	051-871716 Contact: Eleanor Fewer
Naionra na Deise	c/o Gael Scoil na nDeise, Gracedieu Rd., Waterford	051-843741 Contact: Yvonne Clooney
St. Pauls Pre School	St. Pauls N.S. Lisduggan Waterford	087-6834915 Contact: Theresa Mulcahy
Play Together Pre School	Educate Together Morrison's Ave Waterford	086-3821194 Contact: Rebekah Donnelly

Community Play Groups

Name	Address	Phone
St. Pauls Play Group	Millennium Building Church road, Lisduggan, Waterford	087-2749132 Contact: Marguerite Long
Tir na nÓg	Pitch & Put Club Ferrybank, Waterford	087-2791516 Contact: Eileen Fitzpatrick
Rainbows	35 St. Catherines Grange, Waterford	051-873918 Contact: Wanda Bailey
Tip Toes Pre School	Richardsons Meadows, Kilcohan, Waterford	051-306728 Contact: Sinead O' Neill
Stepping Stones Playgroup	Abbeylands, Ferrybank, Waterford	087-6521517 Contact: Bernie Hennessy

Butler Community Centre Play Group	Butler Community Centre, John's Park, Waterford	086 – 3938729 Contact: Rena Walsh
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Community Day Care Facilities

Name	Address	Phone
St. Josephs Childcare Centre	6-7 Lower Yellow Rd., Waterford	051-843512 Contact: Siobhan Fogarty
First Steps Crèche	Ballybeg Community Centre, Waterford	051-379980 Contact: Carmel Staunton
Busy Bee Crèche	St. Bridgets Centre 37 Lower Yellow Rd., Waterford	051-375261 Contact: Bernie O Mahoney
Focus Ireland	Grange Cohan, Waterford	051-879810 Contact: Ann McInespy
Waterford Women's Centre	74 The Manor, Waterford	051-351918 Contact: Olivia Conway
Seans Eile	Community Building, Killure Grove, Waterford	051-855734 Contact: Sharon Coady
Sacred Heart Day-care Centre	Ladylane, Waterford	051-877707 Contact: James Borland
St. Brigids Pre School For Traveller Children	St. Brigids Centre 37 Lower yellow Road, W/Frd	051-375261 Contact: Isobel Lennon-Power
Waterford Childcare Centre	Unit 607 Northern Extension Industrial Estate, Waterford	051-353913 Contact: Majella Cantwell
Birchwood House Pre School	Birchwood House, Ballytruckle, Waterford	051 843891 Contact: Paula Ryan/Fiona Coleman

Private Day-care Facilities

Name	Address	Phone
Little Scholars	212 Viewmount Park Dunmore Road	051-844238 Contact: Ann Marie Ahearne
Jigsaw	Carnglas, Gracedieu, Waterford	051-592033 Contact: Eileen Acheson

Humpty's House	1 Rockwood Mews, Grange Manor, Waterford	051-301867 Contact: Dawn Murphy
Jigsaw Day Nursery	Uppergrange, Williamstown, Waterford	051-858967 Contact: Julie Haycock
Woodlands Crèche	c/o Leisure Centre, Woodlands Hotel, Dunmore Rd.	086 3464183 Contact: Mary Molloy
Play Days Childcare	Unit 53 Tycor Business Centre Waterford	087-9129332 Contact: Amy Kenny
Kidz Inc.	Briot Crescent, Templers Hall, Waterford	051 377066 Contact : Eimear Keating
Bumble Bees Crèche	Bellfield, Ferrybank, Waterford	051 830542 Contact : Anita Grant 087 9055207 Laura: 087 9063134
Home from Home	36 Williamstown Glen Waterford	086 3344149 Contact: Olivia Hogan

Drop – In Crèche Facilities

Name	Address	Phone
Play Time	Tesco, Poleberry, Waterford	051-878000 Contact: Sinead Hanrahan
Playhouse	Superquinn, Kilbarry, Tramore Rd., Waterford.	051-370040 Contact: Rebecca Mahoney
V.E.C.	College St., Waterford	(Awaiting opening)

Montessori Pre-Schools

Name	Address	Phone
Waterford Montessori	St. Benildus Church Hall, Newtown, Waterford	051-873354 Contact: Dawn Sheehan
Jeannes Montessori	The Bungalow, Lower Yellow Rd Waterford	051-383144 087-9111691 Contact: Jeanne Prendiville
Park Montessori	Sylvan Drive, Grantstown Park, Dunmore Rd., Waterford	051-858151 Contact: Ruth White
The Children's House	22 Catherine St., Waterford	051-852990 Contact: Audrey Ryan
Newtown Montessori	Friends Meeting House, Newtown, Waterford	086-8194705 Contact: Fionnuala O Regan
Tiny Tots	2 The Drive, Collins Ave; Waterford	051-858001 Contact: Magda Hutchinson
Mia's Montessori	Scout Hall, Ballygunner, Waterford	051-844001 Contact: Donna McKenna
Little Explorers	24 Garranmore Dunmore Road Waterford	087-9273188 Contact: Jenny Gallagher (Also Afterschool Club)

Private Play Groups

Name	Address	Phone
Early Years Preschool	Villa Club House Ozier Park Waterford	087-9860190 Contact: Susan Kennedy/Martina O Neill
Bluebells Play Group	Knockboy, Dunmore Rd., Waterford	051-879292 Contact: Helen McNamara

School Age Childcare

Name	Address	Phone
Jigsaw Afterschools	Ardkeen & Williamstown	051-858967 Contact: Eileen Acheson
Jenny's After School Club	Garranmore, Farmleigh, Dunmore Rd	087-9273188 Contact: Jenny Gallagher
Killure Grove After School	Killure Grove, Airport Rd, Waterford	051 - 855734 (afternoon only) Contact: Jean Lyons
Waterford Childcare Centre	Northern Extension, Industrial Estate, Waterford.	051-353913 Contact: Majella Cantwell
St Josephs Childcare Centre	Lr Yellow Rd, Waterford.	051- 843512 Contact: Siobhan Fogarty

Waterford City Parent and Toddler Groups

Name and Address	Name of Contact	Operating hours
Butler Community Centre Parent and Toddler Group Johns Park Waterford	Jillian Wheaton 051- 876907	Wednesdays 10 am – 12.30 noon
St. Patricks United Church Parent and Toddler Group Patricks Street Waterford	Mary – Ann Farren 051-841164	Tuesdays 10.30 am – 12 noon
Ferrybank Parent and Toddler Group Parish Hall Ferrybank Waterford	Rose O Sullivan Katriona Ryan 051 - 851168	Thursdays 10 am – 12 noon
Down Syndrome Parent and Toddler Group c/o 31 Grange Lawn Waterford	Jacqui Burke 051-856143	1 Saturday per month 10.30 – 12 noon Children's Group Links

The Minder and Toddler Group Millennium Building Church Rd Lisduggan	Breda Farrell 051-351343	Mondays 10.30 am – 12 noon
Ardkeen Library Parent and Toddler Group Waterford	Melanie Cunningham 051-849755	Wednesdays 10.30 am – 12 noon Programme of talks 1 st Mon of every month
Bumps, Babes and Beyond Parent and Toddler Group Ardkeen Community Rooms Dunmore Road Waterford	Lydia Thornton 051 895280	Wednesdays 11 am – 1 pm

Key Contacts:

More information in relation to any of the above can be had by contacting:

Health Services Executive:

Monica Ryan or Vonnie Brennan, Pre Schools Officers, 051-842897

Waterford City Childcare Committee:

Unit 51, Tycor Business Centre Waterford, 051- 860444

Waterford County Childcare Committee:

9 Emmet St, Dungarvan, 058- 48204