

## Retford (North) Children's Centres Community Consultation Key findings

### Who we consulted with:

We interviewed 67 people in total:



- 36% of you were aged under 29 years
- 46% of you were aged between 30 and 39
- 100% of you were female
- 81% of you have children under 5

We invited 11 people to a focus group, held at Hallcroft School, where we asked some more detailed questions.

Thanks to those parents who attended and helped us get a much clearer picture of the highs and lows of being a parent and child living in Retford (North).

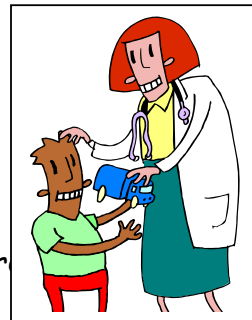
### The services you are currently using:

The services you use most are:

- Health Visitors (used by 91% of you)
- GP Practice (by 90% of you),
- Nursery in a school (by 85% of you)

The other services for children that you use most are:

- Toddler Group (72%)
- Pre-school Playgroup (51%)
- Children's Library Service (48%)
- Family member for child care (42%)



- As a parent, you think the most helpful service for you and your child is the Nursery in a School (based on results to the questionnaire).

### How to find out more:

You can get a copy of the full report by calling the Children's Centres Development Team on 01623 404212

Alternatively you can download a copy on-line at [www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/eydcp/childrenscentre](http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/eydcp/childrenscentre)

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- You would use services more often if public transport was better, if childcare was available and if events took place at different times.
- You find that written information is the best way of finding out about services, followed by word-of-mouth information from local professionals
- When we asked you what three things you think Retford (North) needs to make it better for parents with young children, you asked for:
  - play and leisure activities for all children**
  - more toddler groups and activities for very young children**
  - more holiday care and before/after school care for older children**
- Better, safer and cleaner parks and outdoor play spaces were also an important priority
- Many of you were looking forward to the arrival of the Children's Centre and came up with interesting ideas about how it might work with and support families with young children
- But there were also some concerns, particularly about parking and the security of the site