

Hello, my name is Della Simmons, I am a parent who uses stay and play groups and the nursery at First Steps Children's Centres. I believe the potential cuts you are proposing to make will have drastic devastating effects on the people of Bath.

I am originally from Nottingham where I was in Care and there was nothing like this available for me as a child and I ended up going down a very slippery path. I moved to Bath to make a new life for me and my children. I wanted to fit into the community and I didn't want my children to be treated differently because of the mistakes I had made in the past.

We would be lost without the Children's Centres – I am very grateful for what First Steps has done for me and my family.

Therefore I am presenting a petition signed by people, asking you to reconsider the proposed cuts to children's centres across Bath and North East Somerset. This petition is not only presented from the mums and dads that use the children's centre services, it is also on behalf of the people and children of Bath and North East Somerset.