

Call In of decision E 3038

Proposed closure of the remaining two Council run nurseries and support the transfer of children's places to other providers in the local area and consider options for the two buildings

We wish to call-in this decision on the following grounds:

The proposed decision has not taken into account the impact on families and children in crisis, families with challenging children and children with disabilities protected under the 2010 Equalities Act.

Under the Children Act 2006, this Council is required to assess the local childcare market and to secure sufficient childcare for working parents. In Radstock the sufficiency figure is only 0.73% meaning that already there are fewer places than required.

The papers give no indication about how long the nurseries have been running at a loss.

The papers do not indicate long the nurseries have been below numbers and whether the threat of closure has impacted on the numbers.

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