

Frequently Asked Questions – Early Years and Wraparound Childcare  
Expansion Capital Grant

<b>Question</b>	<b>Answer</b>
When will successful bids receive their funding?	Funding is expected to be allocated by January 2025 at the latest.
What date would the capital grant need to be used by?	The local authority would expect any early years funding to have been utilised in advance of September 2025.
Can schools apply for funding to deliver places for children accessing the 9+ Month and / or 2 year old working parents entitlement?	Yes, schools can apply for funding.
Can providers apply for work that has already been completed?	No.
Is there a maximum amount each setting can apply for?	No, but value for money is one of the three criteria that bids will be assessed upon, along with feasibility and sufficiency of places. The proportion of the total capital funding available that is being bid for, will be considered when evaluating bids.
Is there a maximum amount of funding that settings can apply for per head?	No, but value for money is one of the three criteria that bids will be assessed upon, along with feasibility and sufficiency of places. Cost per place being created will be considered when evaluating bids.

<p>Can I bid for funding for a specific piece of equipment?</p>	<p>The purpose of the 'Early Years and Wraparound Childcare Expansion Capital Grant' is to increase the total number of childcare places available. All bids must demonstrate how the awarding of a grant will increase the total number of childcare places available in North Tyneside.</p>
<p>What should I do if supporting information will not be available by the deadline for applications?</p>	<p>Providers should submit all available information by the deadline. If any supporting documentation is unavailable at the deadline, the provider can make reference to the information in the application form and should set out when it is expected to become available. The local authority may request additional information from providers as part of the assessment of applications.</p>