



Benchill Sure Start Children's Centre is a Barnardo's Sure Start Children's Centre project delivering the following services:

The Sure Start Core Offer is quite prescriptive in that all Sure Start Children's Centres should deliver all aspects of the core offer to all families. This includes:

- Providing **health services** such as antenatal clinics, booking in clinics, smoking cessation and breast feeding advice.
- **Links with job centre plus and FIS** - including workshops and preparation for work, partnership work with adult education, volunteer opportunities, placements for local people coming off incapacity benefit, a jobs board and links with employment agencies and regeneration.
- **Integrated Education and child care**-Nursery Education, Sessional Care, play and stays, crèches and play groups.
- **Links with schools and the extended schools agenda.**
- **Outreach and family support**-(In Wythenshawe this is delivered by Barnardo's through the outreach team led by CSM, Debbie Koroma at Benchill Children's Centre and Early Intervention Project led by CSM, Deirdre Lewis at Woodhouse Park Children's Centre.

Additionally, other services are supported: Smoke-free homes; a Welcome Centre for people newly-arrived in Wythenshawe; increased reach to BME communities; Lyndene Inclusive Nursery (LIN); and Looked-After Children lead role.

The delivery of these services is carried out by a variety of different agencies. Our primary role is to co-ordinate and lead these services, ensuring they are of good quality and meet the needs of families in the area as well as direct service delivery. Services can be delivered from the children's centre itself, at Satellite or linked centres or at different venues within the community dependent on issues of access and locality needs. Our main satellite Centres are: Family Action Benchill (another Barnardo's Project) which delivers a crèche facility for parents accessing courses) and Brookfield Gardens (a Local Authority children's centre providing day care for working parents and Children In Need places). The CSM is responsible for the quality of these services and performance management. There are also Sure Start-commissioned services within the locality for which the CSM is responsible by ensuring quality and collaborative delivery such as Home Start, mobile crèche and CAPS (parenting programmes).