

Minutes of meeting held to discuss provision of childcare for children attending Hyde & Seek creche post December 20th 2019.

Attendees: Parents of children attending Hyde & Seek creches, Cllr Mary Fitzpatrick and Anne Rabbite, TD

Priority for parents is provision of safe, secure and happy childcare for children post December 20th, 2019 and accountability from both Tusla and Hyde & Seek.

Tusla have conducted seven creche inspections since April 2019 yet the parents still have no visibility of these reports.

Tusla has advised parents to consult with Dublin City Childcare Committee to find alternative childcare. The Dublin City Childcare Committee has no remit to provide childcare.

Anne Rabbite TD shared with parents the work she has been doing over the past few months to get the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs to address concerns with the sector.

Following are the agreed next actions:

- Anne Rabbite to make representations to Minister to work with parents and Tusla to ensure that there are replacement childcare services in place post Dec 20th, 2019
- Anne Rabbite to raise issues with Minister in Dáil under “Priority Questions” on Tuesday 10th December 2019.
- Anne Rabbite to contact Tusla to clarify conditions under which Tusla will approve continued provision of childcare services at Hyde & Seek
- Anne Rabbite to request Tusla to release inspection reports to parents
- MF to ask Dublin City Childcare Committee to provide a live database showing childcare availability in the city
- MF to ask DCC to try to identify suitable vacant properties for a replacement creche for 77 children
- Parents to try to identify properties suitable for a new childcare service