

# Waltham Forest Early Years Guidance

## Team Around Setting Process (TAS)

Support around Settings with multiple concerns due a less than Good Ofsted inspection outcome or professionals raising ongoing non-compliance with statutory frameworks and guidance.

### 1. Concerns are identified by:

- MAGEY group (Multi Agency Early Years Group) as high risk and raised with EYs Senior Management Team.
- Ofsted notification: Welfare, Complaint, Suspension notice, Inadequate/Requires Improvement Inspection.

### 2. Following identification of concerns, a letter is emailed to the Ofsted responsible person/organisation. The letter will:

- be sent when the Ofsted inspection report is made public or the MAGEY Chair has requested a TAS
- clarify the issues/concerns and cessation date of FEEE funding if applicable for FEEE funding in line with the settings FEEE contract.
- a Focus Improvement Plan (FIP) template will be attached for the setting to start completing prior to the initial TAS meeting

### 3. Next, the TAS Lead will:

- be assigned based on the area most of the concerns relate to
- arrange initial TAS meeting with the setting within 2 weeks of TAS letter date.
- discuss concerns with other TAS Area Leads prior to initial meeting.

### 4. The Initial TAS meeting will:

- Be led by the TAS Lead
- review the actions that the setting has included in the FIP and devise further actions regarding LA support
- ensure the FIP addresses the areas of concerns raised by Ofsted/MAGEY

### 5. A final FIP:

- is agreed in partnership with the setting
- will include any additional support the LA will provide. For example, signposting to quality improvement programmes, information, advice and training resources on the Hub
- is the responsibility of the setting to implement and monitor the FIP actions.
- a copy of the FIP is signed by the Ofsted registered person/organisation and emailed to the setting by the TAS Lead.

### 6. The TAS Review:

- meeting date will be scheduled at the initial TAS meeting by the TAS Lead.
- will be a maximum of 3 months after the initial FIP
- will evaluate the impact of the support and progress made

### Notes:

- All actions and/or concerns raised by the TAS process will relate to Ofsted recommendations and/or statutory guidance. TAS leads will quote relevant section of the guidance e.g. 3.2.3 of the statutory framework for Early Years Foundation Stage
- If any significant concerns are identified via the TAS process, which officers feel should be reported to Ofsted, this will be done by the TAS lead.