

## Children and Young People Committee: 1 March 2022

### Item 6: Delivery of Early Years Provision to serve Abbey Division, Cambridge

#### Public questions

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1.	Nicky Massey Local resident and former City councillor for Abbey Ward	<p>As a local campaigner as previous councillor of Abbey ward I would like to speak in support of item 6. Abbey ward is a large ward and relocating Seesaw preschool back into the East Barnwell community hub as part of the redevelopment is much supported by families and residents of abbey ward.</p> <p>The plan was always to have SeeSaw as part of the East Barnwell community hub and it was a huge disappointment to for all when the previous decision was made to retain SeeSaw in its current and temporary space, as part of Galfrid school.</p> <p>The ward needs more early years provision across the whole ward and so I was delighted to read the recommendation and hope you can all fully support this item.</p>
2.	Councillor Haf Davies, Cambridge City councillor for Abbey Ward	<p>I am a City Councillor for Abbey ward and this decision has a direct impact on Abbey residents.</p> <p>One of the key points made my Abbey residents about early years provision in Abbey is that it is important that a range of services, including early years education, is available to families to access in one place. Would this committee agree that the collocation of services that this decision would enable would benefit children and families in Abbey?</p>
3.	Jo Brasher Chair of SeeSaw Pre-school	<p>We would like to comment on our journey as an organisation, our relationship with the site, the temporary relocation to our current site and our intent and desire to be back on the East Barnwell site.</p> <p>Trustee, Rev Stuart Wood, will be speaking on Seesaw's behalf.</p>
4.	Nicky Shepard CEO, Abbey People (Incorporating East Barnwell Community Association)	<p>Statement in support of the recommendations in the report, from the community in Abbey. The vision for the new community centre has always been for a community hub with services co-located to increase</p>

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		engagement and help the most vulnerable in our community. SeeSaw Pre-School being on site is at the heart of the community's vision for the site.