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FINGAL COUNTY COUNCIL

**COMMUNITY, SPORTS AND CULTURE STRATEGIC POLICY
COMMITTEE**

WEDNESDAY 25th MARCH 2026

ITEM NO. 05

**FINGAL PARTICIPATION IN NEW STATE LED CAPITAL PROGRAMMES
FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND CHILDCARE - AI107070**

Motion: Councillor J. Walsh

“That this Committee requests the Chief Executive to identify relevant projects and/or appropriate buildings in Fingal that could be included in the new State-led capital programme to enable the delivery of State-led early learning and childcare services.”

Report:

The Council is actively engaging with the Department of Children, Disability and Equality regarding the provision of State-led not-for-profit early learning and childcare services in Fingal as part of the scheme announced in January 2026.

This engagement is aimed at establishing an understanding of the requirements of the Programme in relation to capital investment, operating models and the local structures in relation to the oversight of childcare in the county.

All parts of the county will be included in the discussions and any site that can meet the requirements / criteria will be put forward.

Source of Report:

Aoife Sheridan, Senior Executive Officer, Economic, Community & Cultural Development Department

