

THE NATIONAL STANDARD FOR ELIGIBILITY TO BECOME A FUNDED PROVIDER OF EARLY LEARNING AND CHILDCARE

The Panel was recommended to note that the Scottish Government in 2018 had published a new National Standard which would be used to evaluate the suitability of ELC providers to enter into contract with West Lothian Council.

Decision

- 1) To note the terms of the report.
- 2) To request that the Panel was kept up-to-date with information relating to the requirement for a qualified ELC professional in all partner settings.
- 3) To note that information would be provided on any further guidance received in relation to the National Standard.
- 4) To request data to be provided on inspections of all nurseries which had taken place.