



Giving children the best start in life!

We are looking to bring together a **group of parents/carers living in Datchet, Horton and Wraysbury with people working in early years** to think about how we can make sure every child gets the best start in life.

Are you the parent or carer of a 0–5 year old? Or someone who works with children aged 0–5 years old? And live or work in Datchet, Horton and Wraysbury? Do you have **ideas about what would make a difference for parents/carers with young children?** If so, we'd love to hear from you.

We are looking for **innovators**, people who want to make a difference in our communities. People who will help us create and try out some **new ideas, that positively push the boundaries**. This work is being sponsored by Connected Leaders (a partnership of senior leaders from health, social care and education working across the Borough). They will take a keen interest in amplifying whatever you learn. You will be encouraged to be as radical as you think is necessary. We are as interested in learning from what does not work, as much as what does.

If you are enthusiastic about changing things, please do put yourself forward.

What is the commitment?

We are inviting people to be part of an Action Learning Set to make a difference and have an opportunity to bring your ideas to life. The group will meet 5 times for up to 3 hours, over a period of 3 months, starting in September 2022. To get things rolling we will be inviting the Action Learning Set groups to come to an initial meeting on 14th July 2022 (please add to your diary now).

Our Action Learning Set Theme: Best start in life

We want to make sure that every child has the best start in life so that when they start school they are able to thrive.

The first few years of a child's life are so important for building a healthy future – helping parents/carers and their young children get the right support at this stage can make a big difference.

**Brilliant Ideas****Change and
development****Thriving
communities**

We would like to invite you to participate in an Action Learning Set where you will have the opportunity to talk with parents, carers and people working in early years. At these sessions we will be developing and trying out ideas that help parents and carers to look after themselves and help their children thrive.

Expression of Interest

To express your interest please answer the question below – send this to communications@optalis.org by 27th June 2022. Or complete our [online form](#). We want the Action Learning Sets to be balanced and reflect the diversity within our workforce and our communities.

Places are limited. We will confirm places week commencing 4th July.

Name	<input type="text"/>	Team and Organisation (if applicable):	<input type="text"/>
Tel:	<input type="text"/>	Email:	<input type="text"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tick if you would like us to contact you to answer any questions about the commitment		

Tell us about your experience or interest in the theme: Best Start in Life. (Max 300 words)

Please ask if you need this information in another language or format.