

Worcester Play Council Play Quality Award: these criteria should form the basis of all WPC Funded project planning and are used by the WPC Evaluator to assess sessions in collaboration with the providers towards the quality award.



Quality means:

- Planned and prepared
- Positive and encouraging
- Inclusive
- Creative
- Responsive
- Playful !!!

Project observed: _____ **Date:** _____ **Evaluator** _____

A good project will be:	Not applicable	No evidence	Some evidence	Lots of evidence
Planned & prepared				
• Project timetable and opportunities available to children & young people				
• Evidence of promotional materials targeted at both parents and children				
• Evidence of preparation in the selection of activities, materials & equipment				
• The session is planned to fit with the time available				
• The workers know what their role is				
• Hazards have been identified and control measures put in place				
• What is on offer has play value to children and young people				
<i>Comments</i>				
Positive & encouraging				
• The setting is playful and accessible				
• The workers invite participation				
• The workers engages with children and young people				
• The workers reaches out to reluctant children & young people				
• The workers offers support; motivates and praises				
• The workers engage with parents and carers				
<i>Comments</i>				

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Inclusive				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accessible to all 				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The project has planned for different ability levels 				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • and works hard to ensure that everyone can participate and achieve 				
<i>Comments</i>				
Creative & challenging & purposeful				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The approach is fresh and innovative, not 'off the shelf' or simply aimed at taking up time 				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offer opportunities that caters for all Play Types 				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of a range of loose parts and encourages children to change and adapt their environment 				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • They introduce children & young people to new knowledge and new skills 				
<i>Comments</i>				
Responsive				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The project invites and listens to ideas and interests put forward by children, young people or parents/cares, 				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The project encourages children and young people to take an active role in its delivery 				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the project encourages and supports volunteer workers 				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • staff are welcoming and communicative 				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • staff have a range of skills and have a Playwork qualification 				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • staff share info on individual children's needs 				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • staff understand and follow the projects safeguarding policy 				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • staff provide additional support when needed or asked for 				
<i>Comments</i>				

