

## Worcester Play Council Play Quality Award

Worcester play Council is looking at ways to help organisations celebrate their good practice with children and young people. They also want to help organisations to identify ways in which they could improve how they work with children and young people and the ways they are welcomed into and included within the organisation and playful activities of the organisation.



In order to do this, we are introducing the Worcester Play Council Award Scheme - a series of quality areas, helping organisations to identify whether they really do provide the environment and opportunities for the development of children and young people, whether they really are playful, inclusive and if they support and safeguard both workers and children and young people. This is delivered through mentor support from WPC and through an independent assessment.

Participation in the scheme is purely voluntary although all organisations receiving funding from WPC will be expected to take part, it is hoped that as many organisations as possible will work with the ideas contained in it in order to improve their practice.

The **Bronze Award** itself represents a set of minimum standards in children's and youth work which it is hoped all organisations will want to be working towards.

The **Silver Award** represents progress from the minimum standards

The **Gold Award** represents organisations who have an ongoing commitment to provide quality playful experience

A WPC Play Quality Award is the ultimate testimonial to your authority's or organisation's commitment to the provision of good quality inclusive play opportunities. It is undoubtedly the most effective method of demonstrating your commitment to children's play to local councillors, parent's children and young people

## What are the benefits of achieving a Worcester play Council Play Quality Award?

### Promotion

Organisations may use the relevant award logo on stationary, promotional material, vehicles, uniforms and in other appropriate situations for the duration of which the award is valid.

### Service Improvements

A WPC Play Quality Award is a clear and visible demonstration to the community and local councillors that improvements have been made to the organisation.

### Good Community Facilities

Improvements to the local facilities can help to engage local people. This will encourage good health, education and reduced crime rates providing a visible improvement to the area.

### Revenue Opportunities

A WPC Play Quality Award may add leverage to an application for external funding and could assist in securing more favourable internal budget settlements.