



DEPRIVATION FUNDING – what it is, and how is it paid?

The information in this document is only for early years childcare providers in North Yorkshire who are registered to offer government funded places.

What is Deprivation Funding?

Deprivation funding is an additional funding supplement paid to providers and can be used to support all children who are accessing their early years funded entitlement but particularly can be used to support the more vulnerable/disadvantaged children, or children with SEND. Deprivation funding can be used by your school/setting throughout the year to close the gap between the attainment of the most disadvantaged children and their peers.

How Deprivation is worked out

The Index of Multiple Deprivation (IMD) is the official measure of relative deprivation in England is managed by the government department of the Ministry of Housing Communities & Local Government. Each area in the country is given an official score from the IMD which is based on seven domains of deprivation, lowest ranking is least deprived and highest ranking is most deprived.

Deprivation weightings are applied automatically through the provider portal, dependent on the child's postcode, you are not required to provide any additional information separate to the child's full address and postcode.

The deprivation hourly funding rates in North Yorkshire for the 2026/27 financial year are as follows:

Deprivation Band (shown on Synergy Provider Portal under 'Weightings' column on headcount)	Amount per hour added to the base rate
Dep A	0.54p
Dep B	0.07p
Dep C	0.04p
Dep D	0.00p

How do I see a child's deprivation banding and amount?

Once headcount has been processed, each child is given a banding against their postcode, shown on the Synergy Web Provider Portal headcount under the **Child Weightings** column, as DEP A, DEP B, DEP C or DEP D. Please remember the deprivation is based on the child's postcode and is not related to parent income. Deprivation is calculated using the number of termly hours claimed and multiplied by the deprivation hourly funding rate, where applicable. It is also shown on the provider portal Summary screen for the term as a total funding for Child Weightings.

Identifying Deprivation Funding

Payment for deprivation is made with the termly balance of funding. It is shown on the monthly remittance advice in the month after the headcount has been finalised, e.g., December (Autumn term), March (Spring term) and July (Summer term). It is shown as one amount for each funded age range.