

Introduction

This survey seeks to collect information on how your childcare setting(s) implements the Scottish Milk and Healthy Snack Scheme in order to understand how the scheme is being implemented across Scotland and costs associated.

The survey will take no longer than 20 minutes to complete. If you have any queries, please get in touch with Diffley Partnership at research@diffleypartnership.co.uk or call at 07587004215.

1. Which local authority is your childcare setting based in?

2. Which of the following best describes your childcare setting(s)?

- Childminder
- Day care of children (including nurseries, playgroups, crèches etc)

3. Which of the following best describes the type of childcare setting(s) that you operate?

- Local Authority
- Private, Voluntary or Independent

4. What is the total number of children enrolled in your childcare setting(s) as of 1st August 2023 (if not applicable, the first day of the August term)?

* 5. Does the childcare setting(s) that you operate participate in the Scottish Milk and Healthy Snack Scheme (SMHSS)?

- Yes
- No

Provision

6. Please input the relevant figures for each of the below as of 1st August 2023 (if not applicable, the first day of the August term)

Total number of children enrolled in the SMHSS in your setting(s)

Number of eligible children enrolled in your setting(s) who opt out of receiving any form of milk and snack available under the SMHSS

7. Please input the relevant figures as of 1st August 2023 (or, if not applicable, the first day of the August term) for each of the below

Number of eligible children enrolled in your setting(s) who opt for goat or sheep's milk as an alternative to cow's milk

Number of eligible children enrolled in your setting(s) who opt for non-dairy alternatives

Number of children under the age of 12 months receiving 1st infant formula

Number of children under the age of 2 and over the age of 1 receiving whole cow/sheep/goat's milk

Number of children over the age of 2 receiving semi-skimmed cow/sheep/goat's milk

8. What is the average number of days children in your setting are registered to attend for 2 hours or more per week?

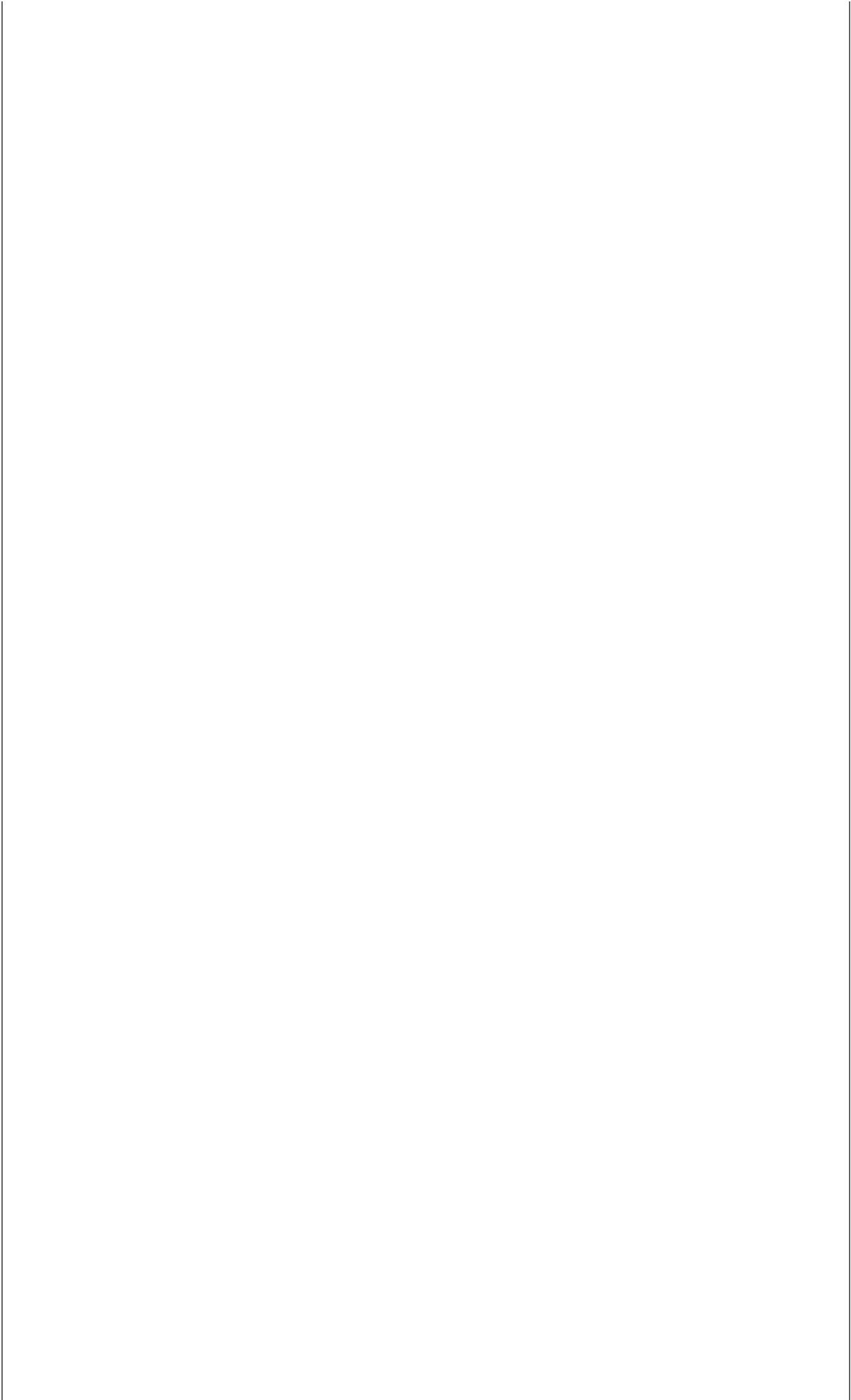
9. Which of the following do you source? Select all that apply

- Milk
- Non-dairy alternatives
- Infant formula for children under 12 months
- Healthy Snack

10. Which of the following most influences your decision on how to source milk, specified non-dairy alternatives and healthy snacks? Select all that apply

- Cost
- Convenience
- Range of options
- Fridge/storage space
- Other (please specify)

- None of the above



Milk

11. How do you source the dairy milk (e.g. Cow, Goat, Sheep) that is supplied to your setting(s)?

- Milk Agent
- Directly from a dairy
- Purchased from a shop
- Other (please specify)
- Delivered through local authority contract/supplier
- Not Applicable- we do not supply this

Milk

12. What size of container is your milk provided in at your setting? If your milk is not served in a carton, please select the size of the serving vessel used.

- 189 ml
- 200ml

13. Which of the following dairy milks do you provide? Please select all that apply.

- Cow
- Goat
- Sheep
- Other (please specify)

14. Does your local authority look after the costs and supply contracts for your dairy milk?

- Yes
- No

Milk- Costs

15. Do you receive any of the following services that are included in the dairy milk unit price? Please select all that apply.

- Delivery
- Beakers
- Jugs or serving vessels
- Fridges
- Other storage vessels
- None of the above

16. Please provide costs for the following, leave blank if not applicable

Cost per one serving

**semi- skimmed
Cow's milk portion**

Cost per one serving

**whole Cow's milk
portion**

17. Please provide costs for the following, leave blank if not applicable

Cost per one serving

**semi- skimmed
Goat's milk portion**

Cost per one serving

**whole Goat's milk
portion**

18. Please provide costs for the following, leave blank if not applicable

Cost per one serving

**semi- skimmed
Sheep's milk
portion**

Cost per one serving

**whole Sheep's milk
portion**

19. Please provide costs for the following, please leave blank if not applicable

If your milk is **delivered** and the delivery cost is not included in the unit cost above, please specify the cost of delivery per portion of commonly used milk types

If you **collect** your milk, what is the cost associated with collecting the milk per portion of commonly used milk types (e.g. staff time and any transport costs)

Non-dairy alternatives

20. How do you source your non-dairy alternatives?

- Milk Agent
- Directly from a dairy
- Purchased from a shop
- Other (please specify)
- Delivered through a local authority contract/supplier
- Not applicable- we do not supply this

Non-Dairy Alternatives

21. Which type of non-dairy alternative drinks have you provided as part of the scheme?
Please select all that apply

- Soya
- Oat
- Almond
- Coconut
- Pea
- Hemp

22. Have you used the Soya Drink Specification outlined within Annex B of the Statutory guidance for the operation of the Scottish Milk and Healthy Snack Scheme for local authorities and participating (registered) day care settings to make purchasing decisions of non-dairy alternative drinks?

- Yes
- No

23. If Yes, are there any barriers to providing soya drinks that meet the above specification? Please select all that apply

- Cost
- Availability
- Feedback about taste/preference
- Uncertainty about how to use it
- No barriers to using it
- Other (please specify)

24. If no, please state the reason(s) why you have not used the soya drink alternative specification guidance.

25. Please provide any other feedback on provision of non-dairy alternative drinks as part of the scheme (Please do not provide any information that could identify an individual)

26. Does your local authority look after the costs and supply contracts for your non-dairy alternatives?

Yes

No

Non-Dairy Alternatives- Costs

27. Please provide costs for the following

Average total cost per

one serving non-dairy alternative

28. Do you receive any of the following services that are included in the unit price for non-dairy alternatives? Select all that apply

Delivery

Fridge/storage space

Beakers

Jugs or serving vessels

Other (please specify)

None of the above

29. Please provide costs for the following, please leave blank if not applicable

If the non-dairy alternative is **delivered** and the delivery cost is not included in the unit cost above, please specify the cost of delivery per portion

If you **collect** the non-dairy alternative, what is the cost associated with collecting the non-dairy alternative per portion (e.g. staff time and any transport costs)

First Infant Formula

30. How do you source your first infant formula for children under 12 months?

- Milk Agent
- Directly from a wholesaler
- Purchased from a shop
- Other (please specify)
- Delivered by local authority
- Not applicable- we do not supply this

First Infant Formula

31. Does your local authority look after the costs and supply contracts for your first instant formula?

Yes

No

First Infant Formula-Costs

32. Please provide costs for the following

Average total cost **per**

**serving of first
infant formula**

33. Do you receive any of the following services that are included in the milk unit price for first infant formula? Select all that apply

Delivery

Fridge/storage space

Beakers

Jugs or serving vessels

Other (please specify)

None of the above

34. Please provide costs for the following, please leave blank if not applicable

If the infant formula is

delivered and the
delivery cost is not
included in the unit
cost above, please
specify the cost of
delivery per portion

If you **collect** the
infant formula, what
is the cost associated
with collecting the
formula per portion
(e.g. staff time and
any transport costs)

Healthy Snack

35. Do you supply a healthy snack as part of the SMHSS?

Yes

No

Healthy Snack

36. Do you currently offer any meal or snack in addition to that provided under the SMHSS?

- Yes
 No

37. Prior to your enrolment in the SMHSS, did you provide any meal or snack?

- Yes
 No

38. Please provide a list of the healthy snacks you provide as part of the SMHSS and the average cost per snack portion for each snack in the box below

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39. Please provide the following information where applicable

Average grams of
fruit served in a snack
portion

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Average grams of
vegetables served in a
snack portion

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40. How do you source the healthy snack portions?

- Direct from a supplier
 Purchased from a shop
 Delivered through a local authority contract/supplier
 Other (please specify)

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41. Does your local authority look after the costs and supply contracts for your healthy snacks?

- Yes
 No

42. Do you receive any of the following services for the provision of the Healthy Snack element of SMHSS? Select all that apply

- Delivery
- Plates
- Containers
- Fridge/storage space
- Other storage or serving vessels
- None of the above

43. Please provide costs for the following, please leave blank if not applicable

If your snacks are **delivered** and the delivery cost is not included in the unit cost above, please specify the cost of delivery per portion

If you **collect** your snacks, what is the cost associated with collecting the snack per portion (e.g. staff time and any transport costs)

Other Costs

44. How many additional fridges or other storage vessels do you require as a result of the SMHSS?

- None
- One
- Two
- Three
- Four
- Other (please specify)

Other Costs

45. What is the cost of any additional fridges or other storage vessels that you have acquired to store milk/non-dairy alternatives and snacks being provided under the SMHSS?

Other Costs

46. Do you face any other costs (including additional utensils, plates, beakers, cups or other vessels acquired) to serve milk, non-dairy alternatives and snacks provided under the SMHSS? If so, please specify what you face additional costs for.

No

Yes (please specify)

Other Costs

47. What is the total financial cost of the additional factors you provided per year?

Supply Contracts

48. Does your local authority look after all your supply contracts for the SMHSS scheme?

Yes

No

Supply Contracts

49. Do you have a single contract that covers the supply of milk, non-dairy alternatives and first infant formula and which commits you to your supplier for a certain period?

Yes

No

Single Supply Contract

50. Does this single contract also cover healthy snacks?

Yes

No

51. How long is the contract period for this single contract?

Less than twelve months

Twelve months to 2 years

2-4 years

4-5 years

5 or more years

52. Are prices fixed for the duration of this contract?

Yes

No

53. How often are prices reviewed for this contract?

Supply Contract- Cow's Milk

54. Do you have a contract for the supply of cow's milk that commits you to your supplier for a certain period?

Yes

No

Supply Contract- Cows Milk

55. How long is the contract period for this contract?

- Less than twelve months
- Twelve months to 2 years
- 2-4 years
- 4-5 years
- 5 or more years

56. Are prices fixed for the duration of this contract?

- Yes
- No

57. How often are prices reviewed for this contract?

Supply Contract- Sheep's Milk

58. Do you have a contract for the supply of sheep's milk that commits you to your supplier for a certain period?

Yes

No

Supply Contracts Sheep's Milk

59. How long is the contract period for this contract?

- Less than twelve months
- Twelve months to 2 years
- 2-4 years
- 4-5 years
- 5 or more years

60. Are prices fixed for the duration of this contract?

- Yes
- No

61. How often are prices reviewed for this contract?

Supply Contract- Goat's Milk

62. Do you have a contract for the supply of goat's milk that commits you to your supplier for a certain period?

Yes

No

Supply Contract- Goat's Milk

63. How long is the contract period for this contract?

- Less than twelve months
- Twelve months to 2 years
- 2-4 years
- 4-5 years
- 5 or more years

64. Are prices fixed for the duration of this contract?

- Yes
- No

65. How often are prices reviewed for this contract?

Supply Contract- Non-dairy alternatives

66. Do you have a contract for the supply of non-dairy alternatives that commits you to your supplier for a certain period?

Yes

No

Supply Contract- Non-Dairy Alternatives

67. How long is the contract period for this contract?

- Less than twelve months
- Twelve months to 2 years
- 2-4 years
- 4-5 years
- 5 or more years

68. Are prices fixed for the duration of this contract?

- Yes
- No

69. How often are prices reviewed for this contract?

Supply contract- First Infant Formula

70. Do you have a contract for the supply of first infant formula that commits you to your supplier for a certain period?

Yes

No

Supply Contract- First Infant Formula

71. How long is the contract period for this contract?

- Less than twelve months
- Twelve months to 2 years
- 2-4 years
- 4-5 years
- 5 or more years

72. Are prices fixed for the duration of this contract?

- Yes
- No

73. How often are prices reviewed for this contract?

Supply Contract-Healthy Snack

74. Do you have a contract for the supply of healthy snacks that commits you to your supplier for a certain period?

Yes

No

Supply Contract- Healthy Snack

75. How long is the contract period for this contract?

- Less than twelve months
- Twelve months to 2 years
- 2-4 years
- 4-5 years
- 5 or more years

76. Are prices fixed for the duration of this contract?

- Yes
- No

77. How often are prices reviewed for this contract?

Suppliers

78. Can you please list your suppliers for the SMHSS? If you are able to, please provide a contact so that we can collect information from suppliers in relation to the SMHSS.

79. Are any of your suppliers from your local authority area?

- Yes, all of them
- Yes, some of them
- No