**01.04 Children’s bathrooms/changing areas**

* Children bring in their own bags with spare clothing and nappies/pants, pre-school spares are available.
* For nappy changing a changing mat on the floor is used. Staff do not lift children on to waist high units.
* Changing mats are cleaned and disinfected after every use.
* Disposable nappies/trainers are placed in nappy sacks and sent home with parents/carers.
* Staff always use single use gloves and aprons to change children and wash hands when leaving changing areas.
* Staff never turn their backs on or leave a child unattended whilst on a changing mat.
* Changing areas or stands are provided for older (disabled) children, if required.
* Anti-bacterial spray is not used when children are present or where residue may have direct contact with skin.
* Anti-bacterial sprays used in nappy changing areas are not left within the reach of children.
* Natural or mechanical ventilation is used; chemical air fresheners are not used.
* All other surfaces are disinfected daily.

**Children’s toilets and wash basins**

* Children’s toilets are cleaned daily using disinfectant cleaning agent for the bowls (inside and out), seat and lid, and whenever visibly soiled.
* Toilet flush handles are disinfected daily.
* Toilets not in use are checked to ensure the U-bend does not dry out and are flushed every week. Taps not in use are run for several minutes every two to three days to prevent infections such as Legionella.
* There is a toilet brush available for children’s toilets.
* Cubicle doors and handles are washed weekly.
* Children’s hand basins are cleaned daily and whenever visibly soiled, inside, and out using disinfectant cleaning agent. Separate cloths are used to clean basins etc. and are not interchanged with those used for cleaning toilets. Disposable wipes are used.
* Paper towels are provided.
* Bins are provided for disposal of paper towels and are emptied daily.
* Staff who clean toilets wear rubber gloves.
* Staff changing children wear gloves and aprons as appropriate.
* Wet or soiled clothing is placed in a plastic bag for parents to collect.
* Floors in children’s toilets are washed daily.
* Spills of body fluids are cleared and mopped using disinfectant.
* Mops are rinsed and wrung after use and stored upright, not stored head down in buckets.
* Mops used to clean toilets or body fluids from other areas are designated for that purpose only and kept separate from mops used for other areas. Mops or buckets are labelled to keep them separate.
* Used water is discarded down the external drains.