### Expression of interest (EOI) form – Expert

**Please write your answers under the following headings:**

Name:

Email address: (if you use a shared email address for work purposes, you may wish to provide a personal email address)

School/Nursery/Setting name:

School/Nursery/Setting full address:

Postcode:

Telephone Number:

Local authority:

Manager/Headteacher/Owner name:

Manager/Headteacher/Owner email address:

I confirm I have my manager’s/setting owner’s/head teacher’s permission to take part in this programme: Yes / No (please delete as appropriate)

**Questions**

#### **Please outline your relevant experience of working in early years, including your current and past relevant roles.**

*You should look to include the following in your response:*

* Where you have supported others in the sector and where this helped others to improve, including supporting other leaders or settings
* Experience of using a coaching model of support (if applicable)
* Experience of providing both face-to-face and remote support to others, including the use of remote technology

(Please answer in between 300-500 words)

#### **The Experts and Mentors programme is about helping disadvantaged children, who have been most impacted by COVID-19. Please outline your understanding of the importance of child development.**

*You should look to include the following in your response:*

* + The areas where you have noticed gaps in children’s development, after the pandemic.
  + And in turn, what have you done, or what strategies have you put in place, to support disadvantaged children to bridge that gap.

(Please answer in between 300-500 words)

#### **Please outline what you believe to be the key changes in the reformed early years foundation stage (EYFS) framework.**

*You should look to include the following in your response:*

* The advantages/benefits of the reforms
* Detail on which parts of the reforms have been challenging to implement in your setting/in your local area (if applicable)
* Support you have provided to your staff to help improve their understanding of the reforms

(Please answer in between 300-500 words)

#### **Please outline any areas of particular interest or expertise you have, which you would like to support others with, through this programme.**

*You should look to include the following in your response:*

* For example, expertise in SEND, working with children with EAL, supporting children’s early language, maths etc.
* Your experience/qualifications in these areas
* How you would use your knowledge/expertise in these areas to help others, through this programme

(Please answer in between 300-500 words)

#### **Please list relevant qualifications for this role.**

5.1 Do you hold a Level 6 qualification in early years/child development? **(Essential)**

Yes / No – Please list subject

5.2 Do you hold additional relevant qualifications above Level 6, such as MA, MSc etc? **(Desirable)**

Yes / No – Please list subject

5.3 Do you hold teaching qualifications, such as Qualified Teacher Status (QTS), a Postgraduate Certificate in Education (PGCE) or Early Years Professional status (EYPS) etc? **(Desirable)**

Yes / No – Please list

5.4 Do you hold any leadership/coaching qualifications or have you completed any recent relevant CPD? **(Desirable)**

Please list

#### **Please list up to 5 local authority areas you are able to provide support to, in order of preference for matching purporses.**

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

**I confirm, as an expert, I am willing and able to travel the local authority area(s) I have specified above, to visit practitioners and leaders on site, in their own setting.**

Yes / No

#### **Can you please confirm you can meet the minimum time requirements for your role?**

For all roles: Up to 3 days of training

Area Lead: 6 days per term

Expert: 6 days per term

Mentor: 6 hours of support, per early years setting, per term. Each mentor is expected to support 4 early years settings, per term. This equates to around 4 hours per fortnight, per term.

**I agree I can meet the minimum time requirement for the role I have applied for (Expert).**

Yes / No

**I can commit to more time than advertised and would be open to supporting more settings if needed.**

Yes / No - Provide detail

#### **Would you like to be considered for any other role(s) on the programme?**

Please state: ‘Expert and Mentor’, ‘or ‘Expert only’

Please submit your expression of interest form to the following mailbox

[eycovidrecovery@pengreen.org](mailto:eycovidrecovery@pengreen.org)

You will be invited to a short video-call interview, and may also be contacted to discuss your capacity and deployment.

We will arrange training for successful applicants where you will have the opportunity to hear more about the programme.

If you have any further queries, please email the above mailbox.

We look forward to receiving your application.

Early Years Recovery Team