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Home-Start  
Southern Oxfordshire

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*I am writing as requested, to report on the grant awarded to the Home-Start babies group in April 2018.*

*The group continues to thrive, with 23 new members joining since April this year. Some members have moved on as their baby become 15 months old, or sometimes where the mums return to work following maternity leave. One mum who recently moved on from the group said "The group was very warm and welcoming, the best I have experience. We only moved to Didcot in January and knew no-one. The group really helped me meet other mums and make good friends".*

*We have held one course of baby massage for new mums and babies. In September we are offering emergency Paediatric First Aid Training which members really appreciate.*

*First Babies Group celebrates it's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year and we are holding a small celebration on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September, during the group from 10am – 12pm. We are hoping that group members, past and present, will join us to celebrate this achievement. Didcot Town Councillors are very welcome to come along and meet the mums who make this group a success.*

*The Grant from Didcot Town Council has been spent on Staffing for the group, rental for the venue and refreshments for the group members.*

*We would like to thank the Didcot Town Council for this grant, which will continue to support new parents at this popular weekly group.*