Who wrote the Toolkits

Teaching and Learning Toolkit
The first version of the Toolkit was commissioned by the Sutton Trust and produced as the ‘Pupil Premium Toolkit’ by Durham University in May 2011.

The Sutton Trust-EEF Teaching and Learning Toolkit has been developed by the EEF from this initial analysis, since its launch in 2011.

The full reference for the Teaching and Learning Toolkit is:


Early Years Toolkit
The Early Years Toolkit has been produced by the Education Endowment Foundation in collaboration with a team of academics at Durham University, led by Professor Steve Higgins.

The full reference for the Early Years Toolkit is:

The first five years
In May 2016, we published a blog, Celebrating the 5th birthday of the Teaching and Learning Toolkit, by Dr Lee Elliot Major, chief executive of the Sutton Trust and EEF trustee (who commissioned the Toolkit), and Prof. Steve Higgins, professor of education at Durham University (who wrote it), looking back on the Toolkit’s first five years.

For more detail on how the content of the Toolkit is developed see the Toolkit Manual.