

## Inspection report for early years provision

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<b>Unique reference number</b>	256467
<b>Inspection date</b>	13/07/2009
<b>Inspector</b>	Lesley Gadd
<b>Type of setting</b>	Childminder

## Introduction

This inspection was carried out by Ofsted under Sections 49 and 50 of the Childcare Act 2006 on the quality and standards of the registered early years provision. 'Early years provision' refers to provision regulated by Ofsted for children from birth to 31 August following their fifth birthday (the early years age group). The registered person must ensure that this provision complies with the statutory framework for children's learning, development and welfare, known as the *Early Years Foundation Stage*.

The provider must provide a copy of this report to all parents with children at the setting where reasonably practicable. The provider must provide a copy of the report to any other person who asks for one, but may charge a fee for this service (The Childcare (Inspection) Regulations 2008 regulations 9 and 10).

The setting also makes provision for children older than the early years age group which is registered on the voluntary and/or compulsory part(s) of the Childcare Register. This report does not include an evaluation of that provision, but a comment about compliance with the requirements of the Childcare Register is included in Annex B.

There were no children on roll when this inspection took place. The findings in this report are based on evidence gathered from discussions with those who care for the children and an inspection of the premises, equipment and relevant documentation. Where there are no children on roll, no judgement is made on the quality of the early years provision as there is no reliable evidence on which to assess its impact on children. The report states if the provider continues to meet the requirements of registration.

## Description of the childminding

The childminder was registered in 1998. She lives with her husband and two adult children in Swanton Morley in Norfolk. Most of the childminder's home is used for childminding however, the craft room and one bedroom upstairs are excluded from registration. The premises are accessible and there is a large enclosed garden for outdoor play. The family have a English Stafford Cross dog, two cats, some ferrets and fish as pets.

The childminder is registered to care for a maximum of six children under eight years at any one time, of whom no more than three may be in the early years age range. The childminder is registered by Ofsted on the Early Years Register and the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register. The childminder is a member of the National Childminding Association (NCMA).

## Overall effectiveness of the early years provision

The childminder has a positive understanding about how to meet children's individual learning and development needs. The childminder has begun to self-evaluate her provision and has addressed effectively recommendations from the last inspection to further improve the service on offer to the children. The welfare requirements are generally well supported, however the childminder's child protection procedures cannot be effectively implemented as the childminder does not hold current contact telephone numbers to notify child protection agencies if she has concerns and the written risk assessments do not identify all aspects of the environment that need to be checked on a regular basis, particularly with regard to the youngest daughter's bedroom, the dog, cats and the ferrets.

## Compliance with registration requirements

In order to continue to meet the requirements of registration, the registered person must take the following action by the specified date:

- implement an effective safeguarding policy and procedure, particularly by having current contact telephone numbers accessible (Safeguarding and promoting children's welfare) 05/08/2009
- ensure risk assessments identify all aspects of the environment that need to be checked on a regular basis, particularly with regard to the youngest daughter's bedroom, the dog, cats and the ferrets (Suitable premises, environment and equipment). 05/08/2009

## Annex B: the Childcare Register

The provider confirms that the requirements of the compulsory part of the Childcare Register are:

Not Met (with actions)

The provider confirms that the requirements of the voluntary part of the Childcare Register are:

Not Met (with actions)

The registered provider does not meet the requirements of the compulsory and or voluntary part/s of the Childcare Register.

To comply with the requirements of the compulsory part of the Childcare Register, the registered person must take the following action/s by the specified date:

- take action as specified in the early years section of the report (Arrangements for Safeguarding Children) 05/08/2009
- take action as specified in the early years section of the report(Suitability and safety of premises and equipment) 05/08/2009

To comply with the requirements of the voluntary part of the Childcare Register, the registered person must take the following action/s by the specified date:

- take action as specified in the early years section of the report (Arrangements for Safeguarding Children) 05/08/2009
- take action as specified in the early years section of the report(Suitability and safety of premises and equipment) 05/08/2009