

## Inspection report for early years provision

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<b>Unique reference number</b>	EY337536
<b>Inspection date</b>	11/05/2009
<b>Inspector</b>	Jackie Phillips
<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 registered in 2006. She lives in Scunthorpe, North Lincolnshire with her husband and three year old child. Registration is for five children under the age of eight years. On occasions the childminder's husband works as an assistant and can be left in sole charge of children for short periods of time with prior written consent from parents. Numbers of children, however, may not be increased. Overnight care can be provided for one child aged under eight years of age.

Children have use of all areas of the property, except two bedrooms on the first floor. There is a rear garden for outdoor play opportunities. Children are taken to local groups within the area and for walks to places of interest. The childminder is registered on the Early Years register and the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register. At the time of the inspection no children were on roll.

## Overall effectiveness of the early years provision

The childminder demonstrates knowledge and understanding of the Early Years Foundation Stage. She has all required documentation in place and planning systems are established to ensure children are able to progress and develop through a balance of adult-led and child-initiated play and learning experiences. There is a varied range of resources in place that are in good condition. Planning for children's learning includes activities that will take place within the setting and those that are to be organised at local groups or through outings and visits outdoors to places of interest. A self evaluation exercise has enabled the childminder to identify areas for improvement to promote positive outcomes for children. Since the last inspection the childminder has successfully improved her child protection policy and information is clear about the procedure she would follow if an allegation was raised.

Children are recognised as being unique and will benefit by the childminder's commitment and understanding of treating them as individuals and investigating successful ways to help them to reach their potential. A family environment will be provided for children with areas to play, eat, rest and relax and for overnight care to be provided when required. The home is secure and the childminder has considered how she will help children understand and be responsible for personal hygiene and safety. For example, she has in place a procedure to follow and share with children if the property has to be evacuated in an emergency. There are some aspects that compromise the safety of children, for example, the garden area and hazards evident within the setting. This means the statutory requirement to safeguard and promote children's welfare is not fully met.

## 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:

- take necessary steps to safeguard children, indoors and outdoors, in particular regarding low level glass, accessible bolt on bathroom door, lounge blind cord and garden area that is not fully enclosed or free from potential hazards (Safeguarding and promoting children's welfare). (This also applies to the Childcare Register).

29/05/2009

## 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 (Welfare of the children being cared for). 29/05/2009

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 for the compulsory part of the Childcare Register (Welfare of the children being cared for). 29/05/2009