

Inspection report for early years provision

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Type of setting Childminder

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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.

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Description of the childminding

The childminder has been registered since 1997. She lives with her husband in Rowlands Castle, which is situated between Havant and Horndean, in Hampshire. Children play on the ground floor of the property and smaller children only use the upstairs for sleeping. There is a fully enclosed garden available for outside play. The childminder is registered on the Early Years Register and on the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register. She jointly provides care for children with her grand daughter who is also a registered childminder. The childminder is registered to care for a maximum of six children, of whom three may be in the early years age group. When joint childcare is provided, a maximum of six children in the early years age group can be present. At the time of the inspection the childminder was caring for two children who are both over eight years old.

Overall effectiveness of the early years provision

The overall quality of the provision is satisfactory. The childminder continues to provide care and learning for children where close links have been established with families. She has many years experience in childcare in the community and she shows a clear awareness of maintaining children's welfare at all times. She soundly supports the joint childcare within her home. The childminder has improved the safety of the garden since the last inspection by fencing the area where the pond is situated and she has also included some resources to reflect diversity.

Compliance with registration requirements

The registered person continues to meet the requirements of registration.

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Annex B: the Childcare Register

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

Met

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

Met