

Belle Vue Community, Sport and Youth Centre

Inspection report for early years provision

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Type of setting	Childcare on non-domestic premises
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Introduction

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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 setting

The out of school club operates from Belle Vue Community, Sport and Youth Centre Hartlepool, and is run by Hartlepool Children's Fund. Children have access to a variety of rooms within the centre. There are no outdoor play facilities, so children use the large halls or visit the local park for physical exercise. Children attend the group from the local area and are usually referred by other childcare professionals. Children are collected from home and returned by staff at the end of the session. The group are registered to care for a maximum of 16 children between the ages of birth and eight years, currently there are no children on roll in the early years age range. The setting is registered on the Early Years Register and on both the voluntary and compulsory parts of the Childcare Register. The setting also care for children up to the age of 13. There are currently 38 children on roll. The group is open Monday to Friday from 8am to 7pm, and also operate through the school holidays. Four staff work directly with the children, all of whom hold a recognised childcare qualification from National Vocational Qualification Level 2 through to degree level.

The overall effectiveness of the early years provision

Overall the setting meets the specific legal requirements. Staff demonstrate a friendly and caring attitude. The premises are clean and well-maintained with lots space for children to play. Staff discuss how this is complemented with trips to places of interest. Staff have a sound understanding of the Early Years Foundation Stage. The range of resources available and planned activities ensure all of the areas of learning are covered. Staff have a clear understanding of their role and responsibility with regard to safeguarding. Procedures are in place to carry out regular risk assessments within the setting and for outings, to reduce the risk of accidental injury. Staff show a positive attitude to providing an inclusive environment. This includes linking closely with parents and other professionals, in order to meet children's individual needs. Staff also show a good understanding of the benefits of liaising with other practitioners where children receive care and education in more than one setting, to ensure continuity and cohesion. All of the recommendations raised at the previous inspection have been positively addressed. This has a favourable impact on the quality of the service staff offer. Staff access a range of training, links with the early years advisor from the local authority have been developed and they implement procedures to evaluate their practice. This ensures continuous improvement is suitably maintained.

Compliance with registration requirements

The registered person continues to meet the requirements of registration.

Annex B: the Childcare Register

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