

## Inspection report for early years provision

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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*.

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Children only attend this setting before and/or after the school day and/or during the school holidays. The judgements in this report reflect the quality of early years provision offered to children during those periods.

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 2008. She is registered on the Early Years Register and both the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register. The childminder is registered to provide care for four children under eight at any one time. She is registered to provide overnight care for one child. There are currently no children on roll.

The childminder lives with her husband and two school aged children in Hook, Hampshire. The downstairs is mainly used for childminding with access to the first floor for sleeping facilities. There is an enclosed garden for outdoor play. The home is accessible at street level. The family have a pet dog.

Local facilities are within walking distance, such as, parks, schools and shops. The childminder is able to take and collect children from local schools and pre-schools.

## **The overall effectiveness of the early years provision**

The childminder has a good range of documentation ready and in place to support effective practice and to meet the requirements, such as, written risk assessments and policies. The childminder demonstrates a sound understanding of safeguarding procedures. She has a secure understanding of potential signs and symptoms of abuse and neglect, and the action to take in the event of concerns arising.

Effective organisation of the home enables the childminder to provide active and quiet areas for different activities to take place, for example, a quiet room for relaxation and a playroom for active play. Resources are of a good quality and maintained well. Toys are easily accessible to children in the dedicated playroom to enable independent selection and choice for children. The childminder demonstrates a good understanding of the learning and development requirements. She has a clear understanding of activities that can support children in their learning and development.

The childminder demonstrates a good understanding of the importance of forming open communication with parents to support good relationships. She demonstrates a keen commitment to working with other people involved in children's care and learning. The childminder demonstrates a sound knowledge of inclusive practice. She understands the importance of finding out about children's individual needs through effective partnerships with parents to enable her to know and meet children's needs.

Since registration, the childminder has continued to keep up to date and to access further training, for example, she has undertaken food hygiene training and kept up to date with first aid training. The childminder demonstrates a suitable awareness of the importance of evaluating her service and practice to strive for sound continuous improvement.

## **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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