

## 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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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 was registered in 2000. She lives with her husband and three children aged one, 13 and 16 years in Kirton in Lindsey, North Lincolnshire. All areas of the childminder's house are used for childminding with the exception of the main bedroom. There is a fully enclosed garden for outside play. The family keep a pet dog.

The childminder is registered to care for a maximum of five children at any one time, of these no more than two may be in the early years age range. The childminder is registered on the Early Years Register and the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register. She is a member of the National Childminder's Association. At the time of this inspection there were no children on roll in the early years age group.

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

The childminder demonstrated through discussion and documentation, their appropriate understanding of the Early Years Foundation Stage to support children in making progress towards the early learning goals. The procedure for identifying children's starting points are identified by communicating and receiving information from parents enabling the childminder to assess the child's individual capabilities. Through the observation and assessment procedure the individual needs of the children can be planned for. This process includes a tracking system to monitor the children's progress against the six areas of learning. Through planning of activities, including both indoors and outdoors, means they can take part in the art, crafts, outdoor play, sporting events and team games to promote their enjoyment whilst at the setting.

The childminder demonstrated through discussion their understanding of what to do if they have any safeguarding concerns regarding a child in their care. The clear policy for safeguarding includes the action to take, telephone numbers of whom to contact and the system for recording any action taken. The premises are safe and secure, with risk assessments in place and undertaken. These are combined with a daily check to maintain the safety of the premises. The required policies to meet the welfare requirement of the Early Years Foundation Stage are in place.

Partnerships with parents, carers and other agencies are built through the sharing of information to meet children's individual needs. Processes for managing children's behaviour are in place and documentation evidenced how they promote a culture of self-respect, involving children in the process of determining the boundaries for the setting. Policies and procedures, for example, equality of opportunity ensure a fully inclusive environment is promoted. The childminder can provide healthy snacks for all children, for example, fresh fruit, yoghurts and vegetable crudits.

The childminder is aware of the strengths and areas for improvement of her provision in order to implement relevant action plans to improve the service

provided. She has engaged the help of the local authority development worker to support and prepare her in returning to work in the near future.

## **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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