

## 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 2001. She lives with her husband and two adult sons in Nailsea, North Somerset. Most of the ground floor of the home is used for childminding. There is an enclosed garden for outside play. The family has two dogs.

The childminder is registered to care for a maximum of six children under eight years at any one time, of whom no more than three may be in the early years age range. The childminder is registered by Ofsted on the Early Years Register and the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register. There were no children on roll within the early years age range at the time of the inspection.

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

The childminder shows a sound understanding of the welfare requirements. She has completed safeguarding training. The childminder is aware of the correct procedures to follow if she has a concern about a child's welfare. She conducts risk assessments of her home that enable her to identify and minimise hazards. As a result, the environment is made suitably safe for children. The childminder has kept her first aid certificate up-to-date. All documentation such as policies, procedures and other records are in place and ready for use when caring for children.

The childminder demonstrates a sound knowledge and understanding of how to implement the learning and development requirements. She has a suitable understanding of the resources and experiences needed to help promote children's learning. She is aware of the need to observe and assess children's progress to help them achieve. The childminder demonstrates a willingness and ability to form suitable working partnerships with parents and other early years providers. She has an appropriate understanding of how to provide an inclusive service and treat each child as an individual.

The childminder talks about how she takes suitable steps to improve and evaluate her practices. For example, she has appropriately addressed the recommendation raised at her last inspection. She has completed training to develop her knowledge of how to use observations and plan. The childminder keeps up to date through ongoing training, contact with colleagues and regular updates from her early years advisor. The childminder demonstrates a sound ability to maintain 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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