

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*.

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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 on her own in a detached property in a village in North Baddesley. There are local amenities such as shops, schools and a park close by. The whole of the property is available for childminding but the main areas used are downstairs.

The childminder is registered on the Early Years Register and both the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register. She may care for six children under eight years of age, three of whom may be in the early years age group and no more than one may be under one. Currently there are no children on roll. There are no pets in the home.

The overall effectiveness of the early years provision

The childminder has a good understanding of her responsibilities to care for minded children and promote their safety. She demonstrates sufficient awareness of safeguarding matters, including procedures to follow in the event of any concerns. The childminder has the knowledge and experience to offer children experiences and activities linked to the Early Years Foundation Stage. She is experienced in planning activities for children and making use of observation and assessment to monitor children's progress and to help them to develop further. The childminder has undertaken many courses to keep her knowledge and skills up to date. She has done several relating to children's play, 'the unique child' and equality training. She describes how she will promote equality and inclusion and help children to learn to value diversity.

The childminder is aware of what information is required from the parents to ensure that she can offer the children continuity and meet their individual needs. She is also aware of the importance of working in partnership with others involved in children's care. There is a wide range of resources in the home that are suitable for children of all ages and when she commences childminding she says she will arrange them to promote children's independence. The childminder has all documentation required for the safe and efficient management of the provision in place ready for use. She recognises the benefits of self-evaluation to identify aspects for further development, to improve outcomes for children. This demonstrates sufficient capacity to maintain 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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