

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 registered in 1990. She lives with her two children, who both attend school. The family home is in a residential area of Farnborough in Hampshire, within walking distance of local amenities. Children may play on the ground floor of the home only, in the open-plan, sitting-dining room with a conservatory play area. The bathroom is on the first floor and smaller children can sleep upstairs in a travel cot during the day. There is an enclosed, rear garden. The childminder is registered on the Early Years Register and on the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register. She may care for four children under eight years at any one time; three children may be in the early years age group. Currently the childminder has no children on roll in the early years age group.

The overall effectiveness of the early years provision

The childminder has a clear awareness of safeguarding children in her care and she has updated her child protection information following the last inspection. She is clear about contacting other agencies if she has any concerns and she understands her responsibility to supervise children at all times. The childminder has assessed risks and hazards to children in the home and garden, however she has only provided a record of the risks during outings. She has all other documentation available to meet the requirements of registration and she fully understands about maintaining these. The childminder is aware of self assessment to evaluate her service. She shows a sense of responsibility for working towards her own continuous improvement; she has completed all of the outstanding recommendations from the last inspection.

The childminder has a good understanding of the Early Years Foundation Stage requirements for promoting children's learning through play. She can describe activities that she would include for different aged children attending. The childminder has an open attitude to meeting children's individual needs for learning and play; she provides resources that reflect differences positively. She has experience of developing relationships with parents to promote children's settling and to regularly link with their ongoing learning. She would record children's development and share this with parents and other carers to work towards the children's next steps.

Compliance with registration requirements

In order to continue to meet the requirements of registration, the registered person must take the following action by the specified date:

- make a record of the risk assessment clearly stating when it was carried out, by whom, date of review and any action taken following a review or incident. 14/03/2012

(Suitable premises, environment and equipment)

Annex B: the Childcare Register

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

Met

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

Met