

## 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 2007. She lives with her adult son in Walton, Liverpool. The whole ground floor of the childminder's house is used for childminding and there is a fully enclosed garden for outside play.

The childminder is registered on the Early Years Register and the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register, to mind a maximum of six children under eight years. She is currently caring for two older children after school. She walks to local schools to take and collect children.

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 demonstrates, through discussion and documentation, sufficient understanding of safeguarding procedures to ensure she knows what to do should she be concerned about a child in her care. Her safeguarding children policy and Local Safeguarding Children's Board guidance are to hand for reference. She undertakes training to strengthen her knowledge of safeguarding matters and to keep her Paediatric First Aid updated. The childminder supports children to learn how to keep themselves safe and to develop an understanding of road safety as they walk to and from school. Outings are risk assessed, and daily visual checks of the childminder premises, maintain a safe and secure environment for children's play.

Through discussion, the childminder shows a basic understanding of the Early Years Foundation Stage and how to support children's learning and development towards the early learning goals. She is able to provide a range of activities that take account of the six areas of learning, children's interests and their stage of development. She would seek advice on observation, assessment and planning to ensure each child's individual learning needs are provided for. The childminder's sound understanding of the need to work closely with parents is evident as she maintains an informative parent's notice board and shares key policies with them. Her behaviour policy clearly outlines the range of strategies in place to support children's behaviour in a positive way. Daily opportunities for parents to talk with her ensure that children's individual needs are met and keep parents informed and involved in their child's care and learning.

The childminder is committed to attending further training in order to improve her provision further and recommendations from the last inspection have been completed.

## **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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