

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 2003. She lives with her husband, two adult children and children aged 11 and 13 years in South Ockendon, Essex. The whole of the ground floor of the childminder's house is used for childminding and there is a fully enclosed garden for outside play. The family have no pets.

The childminder provides care each weekday during term-time and school holidays. She is registered on the Early Years Register to care for a maximum of three children in the early years age range and she also offers care to children aged over five years and this provision is registered on the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register

At the time of inspection there were no children on roll in the early years age group.

The overall effectiveness of the early years provision

The childminder understands about planning for children's learning and demonstrates an awareness for the procedures to observe and assess children to identify the next steps in their learning. The childminder plans a range of activities, both indoors and outside, to ensure that children enjoy a suitable range of experiences. The childminder demonstrated, through discussion and documentation, a sound understanding of the Early Years Foundation Stage to support children in making progress towards the early learning goals. She has documentation in place to record information from parents about their child's individual needs.

The childminder demonstrated through discussion an appropriate knowledge of what to do if she has any safeguarding concerns regarding a child in her care. The childminder has completed additional safeguarding training and she has a written safeguarding policy which she shares with parents to ensure that procedures can be followed appropriately. The childminder understands how to promote children's safety and takes precautions to prevent accidents. For example, the premises are safe and secure because the childminder carries out a regular daily check to maintain the safety of the premises and identify any risks. However, she does not have a current first aid certificate to ensure that she has the most up-to-date knowledge to deal with accidents and emergencies effectively.

The childminder demonstrated a sound understanding of the importance of developing partnership with parents, carers and others to meet children's individual needs. Procedures for managing children's behaviour are in place and the childminder has an appropriate knowledge and awareness of the importance of treating each child with equal respect and concern. The childminder has a range of policies and procedures in place to share with parents and she ensures that every child is treated equally.

The childminder has addressed recommendations raised at the last inspection appropriately. The childminder is aware of the strengths and areas for

improvement of her provision and is keen to attend further training to improve her practice, demonstrating a capacity to improve.

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:

 complete an appropriate paediatric first aid course (Safeguarding and promoting children's welfare) (also applies to both parts of the Childcare Register). 12/04/2012

Annex B: the Childcare Register

The provider confirms that the requirements of the Not Met (with compulsory part of the Childcare Register are: actions)

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

Not Met (with actions)

The registered provider does not meet the requirements of the compulsory and or voluntary part/s of the Childcare Register.

To comply with the requirements of the compulsory part of the Childcare Register, the registered person must take the following action/s by the specified date:

• take action as specified in the early years section of the report (Welfare of the children being cared for).

To comply with the requirements of the voluntary part of the Childcare Register, the registered person must take the following action/s by the specified date:

• take action as specified in the early years section of 12/04/2012 the report (Welfare of the children being cared for).