

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 registered in 2011. She lives with her husband and their young child in Didcot, Oxfordshire. There are shops, toddler groups and parks within walking distance. The whole of the home is used for childminding with sleep facilities available on the first floor. There is a fully enclosed garden for outside play. The childminder is registered on the Early Years Register and both the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register. She is registered to care for five children at any one time, of these not more than two may be within the early years age range. There were no children in the early years age range on roll at the time of inspection.

The overall effectiveness of the early years provision

The childminder meets the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage. She has a secure awareness of how to safeguard children and knows what to do if she has child protection concerns. She has suitable risk assessments in place to help ensure that her home, garden and any outings undertaken are safe.

The childminder has a secure awareness of the learning and development requirements and the six areas of learning. She is aware of the need to plan activities around individual children's capabilities and interests. She explains that activities are tailored to the children's individual interests and learning stages to enable all children to reach their full potential. She has a suitable understanding of the need to undertake regular observations of children to note their progress and plan the next aims for their learning. She has a suitable range of resources to meet children's interests and help them to make progress.

The childminder understands the need to work with parents and other professionals involved in the children's care and learning. She explains that she discusses children's individual requirements with parents before they start with her. This helps her to establish children's starting points and to meet their individual needs. She understands the importance of using self-evaluation to monitor the quality of her provision and is keen to improve outcomes for children.

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