

Our Reference 306845

Outcome of monitoring visit for provision judged as inadequate

An Ofsted inspector, Diane Stone, carried out a monitoring visit of your provision on 19/06/2013. This visit follows on from your inspection where the provision was judged to be inadequate.

Outcome of the visit

As a result of our inspection on 16/04/2013, we sent you a welfare requirements notice.

This notice required you to: ensure that a daily record of the names of the children being cared for on the premises and their hours of attendance is maintained and retained to ensure that children are safeguarded and that this is available for inspection.

In addition a notice of action to improve was issued which required you to ensure that the progress check at age two enables appropriate support for children by: accurately reflecting the development level of the child and areas in which additional support might be needed; discussing with parents and carers to support learning at home; providing a short written summary for parents and carers; improve the use of assessment by responding to day-to-day observations about children's progress and shaping learning experiences for each child reflecting these observations, in partnership with parents and/or carers; enable a regular two-way flow of information between providers if a child is attending more than one setting to promote consistency of support in children's learning and development.

A notice of action to improve on the compulsory and voluntary part of the childcare register was also issued which required you to keep a daily record of the names of the children looked after on the premises and their hours of attendance.

From evidence gathered at the visit on 19 June 2013 the inspector was satisfied that the provider had taken immediate steps to ensure the action in the welfare requirement notice was met. In addition the inspector was satisfied that work is in progress to fully meet all of the notice of actions to improve relating to the learning

and development requirements and safeguarding and welfare requirements. The inspector concluded that this setting is making satisfactory improvement overall.

Having considered all the evidence, the inspector is of the opinion that at this time you are making satisfactory improvement overall.

Overall effectiveness of the improvement and outcomes for children

Through documentation used at the setting and through discussion at the monitoring visit the inspector concludes that the provider has demonstrated that the action set in the welfare requirement notice has been met. In addition, satisfactory progress is being made in meeting the issues raised in the notice of action to improve.

New documentation has been put in place to help the provider undertaken more robust assessment of children's learning and to link what they know about the children into the planning. Learning journals are in place for all children and the provider shares the information on children's progress verbally with parents on a daily basis.

The provider has started to address all the requirements raised at inspection, however the timescale for completion of the notice of actions to improve has not yet passed and there is still work to be done to ensure they are fully met. The provider needs to demonstrate that the monthly progress chart completed for all children is sustainable and continues to inform planning for all of the children in their care. This will then ensure good outcomes for children.

The provider has made satisfactory progress in addressing the points for improvement. The next visit will be a further monitoring visit to ensure the notices of actions to improve are fully met and that improvements that have already been made have been sustained.

Next steps

Having considered all the evidence the inspector is of the opinion that at this time:

- The childminder has made satisfactory progress in addressing the points for improvement. The next visit will be a further monitoring visit.

I hope that you have found the visit helpful in promoting improvement in your childminding service. If you have any further queries please contact us on the number at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely

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