

Our Reference EY418304

## **Outcome of monitoring visit for provision judged as inadequate**

An Ofsted inspector, Mandy Mooney, carried out a monitoring visit of your provision on 08/08/2013. 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 01/05/2013, we sent you a welfare requirements notice.

The welfare requirement notice raised under the Early Years Foundation Stage Welfare Requirements asked you to ensure the assistant receives induction training to help them understand their role and responsibilities, for example, in safeguarding, child protection, and health and safety issues and take action to ensure there are procedures covering the use of phones and cameras in the setting. Actions were also raised in a notice to improve which asked you to improve the risk assessment to include all hazards when outside the home; for example, to ensure children are kept safe in hot weather and how risks will be removed or minimised when they are outside and improve the procedures for keeping children healthy and safe when they engage in outdoor activities in the sun.

As a result of the first monitoring visit on 3 June 2013, the welfare requirement notice which asked you to ensure the assistant receives induction training to help them understand their role and responsibilities, for example, in safeguarding, child protection, and health and safety issues was not fully met and therefore, this was raised as a notice to improve.

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

### **Overall effectiveness of the improvement and outcomes for children**

At the second monitoring visit on 8 August 2013 the regulatory inspector found, through observation, discussion and documentation that good progress had been made on the welfare requirement notices and actions. This is because the provider

has sustained the action taken at the previous visit, that is, she has taken steps to devise an induction process for her assistant and this includes devising a job description, which records very specific tasks for caring for the children and some safety aspects and policies and procedures and this now includes all areas of health and safety and safeguarding and furthermore, the process of checking that the assistant is secure in her knowledge of her role and responsibilities is also in place. The assistant has also attended an online safeguarding course which the childminder reports has significantly improved her knowledge in this area. The provider has developed and implemented a clear written policy for the use of mobile phones and cameras in the setting and this contributes to ensuring children are kept safe. Considerable action has been taken to ensure children are kept safe in hot weather and to minimise risks whilst outside. This includes, ensuring a record is kept of when sun cream is administered and regular checks of this, minimising the time children spend in the sun, a large canopy has been erected in the garden which offers shade and a sun tent is available to protect children. The risk assessment has been reviewed and a checklist is being used the current risk assessment clearly identifies all potential hazards to children or the steps taken to minimise the hazards and furthermore and this is dated and signed by the person completing them.

The provider has made good progress since the last monitoring visit and the next visit will be a full inspection.

### **Next steps**

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

- The childminder has made good improvement. The next visit will be a full inspection.

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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