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Our Reference 202616

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

An Ofsted inspector, Linda Cass, carried out a monitoring visit of your provision on 06/11/2013. 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 01/10/2013, we sent you a welfare requirements notice.

The welfare requirement notice required you to address the following:

have an effective system in place to ensure that assistants, and any other person who is likely to have regular contact with children (including those living or working on the premises) are suitable; take reasonable steps to ensure the safety of children and others on the premises in the case of a fire or any other emergency, in particular exits must be clearly identifiable and doors must be free of obstruction and easily opened from the inside; ensure that you meet the required adult to child ratios as set out in the Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage; ensure that you meet the indoor space requirements to meet the needs of the range of children cared for.

A notice to improve was also issued which required you to address the following:

improve and develop knowledge and understanding of all aspects of the Statutory framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage, and ensure all requirements are met, in order to provide a safe and suitable care and learning environment which will enable all children to make progress; ensure that staffing arrangements are organised to ensure safety and to meet the needs of the children with particular regard to the supervision of children at all times; ensure the premises and equipment are organised to meet the needs of children this refers to children being provided with suitable bedding and a place where they can rest and or sleep safely without disturbance; ensure you have a clear and well-understood policy, and procedures, for assessing any risks to children's safety, and review risk assessments regularly;

ensure that any person caring for or having regular contact with children is suitable to work with children: this includes obtaining a Disclosure and Barring Service check (Voluntary and compulsory part of the Childcare Register); ensure that the premises and equipment used for the purposes of childcare are safe and suitable for that childcare (Voluntary and compulsory part of the Childcare Register); display the certificate of registration at all times (Voluntary and compulsory part of the Childcare Register)

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

To comply with the requirements of the EYFS the registered person must take the following action by the specified date:

- ensure any care provided for older children does not adversely affect the care of children receiving early years provision. With particular regard to ensuring space requirements are met.

20/12/2013

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

A monitoring visit took place on 06 November 2013.

You have made satisfactory progress to ensure your assistant and other household members are suitable to be in regular contact with children. Your assistant has completed checks and is now working alongside you to meet the needs of up to nine children.

You have made inadequate progress with regard to meeting the space requirements. You informed Ofsted that children could use the whole of the ground floor of your home. This was to ensure more space was provided for the children to play. However, on the day of the visit children did not go into the lounge/diner and all went to the playroom. Although you said they could use the lounge they did not spontaneously move between the two rooms. This was because the lounge/diner had no toys and activities available for them. You had not prepared the lounge for children's use prior to collecting the children from school. Once this was discussed, you gave the children some colouring to do at the dining room table, and encouraged the children to use both rooms. The welfare requirement has not been fully met and will be monitored at the next visit. An additional notice to improve has been issued to ensure any care provided for older children does not adversely affect the care of children receiving early years provision. With particular regard to ensuring space requirements are met. You have reduced the number of children you care for since your last inspection and ratios are met.

You have made good progress to ensure that staffing arrangements are organised so that children are safe and their needs are met. Your assistant effectively helped you to supervise the children that moved between the lounge/diner and playroom. All

children were given kind and caring support throughout the visit. They enjoyed interacting with both you and your assistant. Good initiative was shown by your assistant who needed very little direction from you.

You have clear policies and procedures for assessing any risks to children's safety. All hazards have been removed.

Good progress has been made to ensure the safety of children and others on the premises in the case of a fire or any other emergency. Exits are clearly identifiable and doors are free of obstruction and easily opened from the inside.

You have made satisfactory progress to improve and develop knowledge and understanding of all aspects of the Statutory framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage. You now have all the required documents to support your practice. You have implemented learning journeys for the children and have taken steps to provide a learning environment which will enable all children to make progress. This action will continue to be monitored at the next visit.

No progress has been made to ensure children are provided with suitable bedding and a place where they can rest and or sleep safely without disturbance. This is because the parent wishes the baby to sleep in a buggy which is placed in the entrance hall. You informed the inspector that a cot would be provided if necessary.

### **Next steps**

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

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

If you have any further queries please contact us on the number at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely

Susan Gregory HMI  
National Director, Inspection Delivery



**For the attention of:** Compliance, Investigation and Enforcement Team.

**Reply slip**

**ACTIONS**

Please complete the box below to show what you have done in order to meet the action required:

<b>Action Required</b>	<b>Action Taken</b>	<b>Date Completed</b>
ensure any care provided for older children does not adversely affect the care of children receiving early years provision. With particular regard to ensuring space requirements are met.		

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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