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## **Monitoring for provision judged as inadequate**

An Ofsted inspector, Lorraine Meldrum Sunter, monitored your provision on 22/01/2014 following your inspection where the provision was judged to be inadequate.

### **Outcome of monitoring**

As a result of our inspection on 15/07/2013, we sent you a welfare requirements notice.

The notice required you ensure you conduct a risk assessment and implement it to remove or minimise the risk to children and ensure they are safe from risk of harm from your dogs; ensure you conduct a risk assessment and implement it to ensure children are kept safe while on outings from risk of harm from your dogs.

In addition to the welfare requirements notice you were issued an action to improve requiring you to improve understanding of how planning activities can maximise the learning potential, so that children consistently receive an enjoyable, stimulating and challenging educational programme, always designed to meet their emerging needs.

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**

A monitoring visit undertaken on 22 January 2014 found that overall progress made since the last inspection was good.

The childminder has put suitable measures in place to ensure children are safe from any risk of harm that may be posed by the dogs. Both dogs are kept in the kitchen area with a secure gate in place while children are in the home. Only the older, quieter dog will be taken out for a walk with children and will be kept on the lead.

The childminder has improved her knowledge and understanding of how to plan and assess children's learning through using an online system to record, assess and plan each child's progress in their learning and development. This system enables the childminder to identify where there are gaps in the children's development and

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achievements, and therefore where to focus her planning for the next steps to challenge learning. She will review each child's record on a half termly basis to ensure each child's progression is planned for across all seven areas of learning and development, identifying developmental needs to include in her planning.

The next visit will be a full inspection.

**Next steps**

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

Yours sincerely

Lorna Fitzjohn  
National Director

## Actions

Action	Due date	Closed date
WELFARE REQUIREMENT ACTION: Ensure you conduct a risk assessment and implement it to remove or minimise the risk to children and ensure they are safe from risk of harm from your dogs	23/10/2013	29/01/2014
WELFARE REQUIREMENT ACTION:Ensure you conduct a risk assessment and implement it to ensure children are kept safe while on outings from risk of harm from your dogs	23/10/2013	29/01/2014