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

An Ofsted inspector, Alison Romanczuk, monitored your provision on 10/02/2014 following your inspection where the provision was judged to be inadequate.

### **Outcome of monitoring**

As a result of our inspection on 11/11/2013, we sent you a notice to improve. The actions you were set are included at the end of this letter.

During the monitoring visit the inspector discussed with you the steps you have taken to address the actions raised in the notice to improve. She also discussed the actions you have taken with your development worker from the local authority who was also present at the visit. The inspector reviewed the checks you have in place for all other adults living on the premises and found these meet requirements. She discussed your understanding of the need to ensure Ofsted is provided with all information regarding persons over the age of 16 years living on childminding premises, in order that suitability checks may be carried out. Your prompt action in this area means children are safe in your care.

Having recently returned to childminding, you have put in place an action plan that details how you will complete the Introduction to Childminding Practice course at Lambeth College, and you have already completed two modules of online training in respect of this. You seek help from your local authority development worker and use this resource well to furnish improvements. This also demonstrates that you have given priority to updating your knowledge of the Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage. You have put in place a system to monitor children's progress and record their achievements including samples of their work and photographs of activities. You have identified that this supports children's learning and development and allows parents and other settings to share in children's achievements.

The inspector found that you have developed further links with parents in order to share information about their interests and abilities and with the schools that current children attend. You use the school's curriculum to complement children's learning while they are with you. This means that children's learning is continuous and follows the activities they have been involved in at school. You have developed a clear

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monitoring system for your ongoing improvements including the completion of a self evaluation form that allows you to review your strengths and put plans in place to tackle any weak areas you have identified.

The inspector found that you have developed a clear action plan to address the issues raised at your last inspection and that you have quickly implemented these plans.

Having considered all the evidence, the inspector is of the opinion that the childminder has taken prompt and effective action to address the points for improvement.

**Next steps**

The next step 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

Lorna Fitzjohn  
National Director, Childminding

## Actions

Action	Due date	Closed date
complete a local authority approved training course in order to understand and implement the Early Years Foundation Stage	30/11/2013	
ensure Ofsted is provided with all information regarding persons over the age of 16 years living on childminding premises, in order that suitability checks may be carried out	11/11/2013	10/02/2014
undertake appropriate training to improve knowledge and understanding of the Early Years Foundation Stage, in particular with regards to the learning and development requirements to recognise children's progress, understand their needs and plan appropriate challenges in all required areas of learning	31/12/2013	
liaise effectively with parents and other providers in order to understand children's current skills and abilities and use this information to build on what children already know	11/11/2013	10/02/2014
improve the use of reflective practice and self-evaluation, which includes input from parents and children, to identify the setting's strengths and key weaknesses, in order to prioritise areas for development that will continuously improve the quality of provision for all children	11/11/2013	10/02/2014
complete a course approved by an English local authority designed to enable the childminder to meet the requirements of registration (Compulsory part of the Childcare Register)	31/12/2013	
ensure any person having unsupervised contact with children is suitable to be in regular contact with children and an enhanced disclosure and barring service check has been obtained through Ofsted in respect of that person (Compulsory	11/11/2013	10/02/2014

part of the Childcare Register)

completed a qualification at a minimum of level 2 in an area of work relevant to childcare, or training in the core skills as set out in the document 'common core of skills and knowledge for the children's workforce' (Voluntary part of the Childcare Register) 31/12/2013

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