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Our Reference EY330637

## Monitoring for provision judged as inadequate

An Ofsted inspector, Jan Burnet, monitored your provision on 03/03/2014 following your inspection where the provision was judged to be inadequate.

## **Outcome of monitoring**

As a result of our inspection on 03/12/2013, 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 discussed safeguarding procedures with you, observed you working with children, and viewed resources available to children.

The inspector found that you have taken steps to ensure that any future safeguarding concerns will be referred without delay to agencies that have statutory responsibilities to investigate them. You have discussed the actions raised at the time of the inspection with your local authority representative. You have informed her of your reviewed written safeguarding policy that more clearly identifies the procedure that you will follow and you have made parents aware of the reviewed policy. The inspector found that you have taken appropriate steps to ensure that potential risks in your home are minimised and you have reviewed your risk assessment record.

The inspector observed the children being cared for on the day of the monitoring visit to be happy, sociable and confident. They were making decisions about activities, and confidently chose resources that you ensure are easily accessible to them.

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.

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## **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
ensure that any concerns about a child's safety or well-being are referred to appropriate agencies who have statutory responsibilities to investigate them without delay	03/01/2014	03/03/2014
ensure risk assessments are robust and cover all aspects of safety within the home. For example, review the potential hazard presented by the ironing board, which is propped against a wall, close to an exit which is used on a regular basis to access the outdoor area.	03/01/2014	03/03/2014
keep and implement a written statement of procedures to be followed for the protection of children, intended to safeguard the children being cared for form abuse or neglect (compulsory part of the Childcare Register)	03/01/2014	03/03/2014
ensure regular risk assessments are carried out and all necessary measures are taken to minimise risks (compulsory part of the Childcare Register)	03/01/2014	03/03/2014
keep and implement a written statement of procedures to be followed for the protection of children, intended to safeguard the children being cared for form abuse or neglect (voluntary part of the Childcare Register)	03/01/2014	03/03/2014
ensure regular risk assessments are carried out and all necessary measures are taken to minimise risks (voluntary part of the Childcare Register)	03/01/2014	03/03/2014