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

An Ofsted inspector, Nicola Dickinson, monitored your provision on 31/03/2014 following your inspection where the provision was judged to be inadequate.

### **Outcome of monitoring**

As a result of our inspection on 31/03/2014, 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 improve. She reviewed the systems you have put in place to ensure records are accessible and available for inspection. She reviewed how you keep children safe by obtaining information from parents about who children normally live with and who has parental responsibility for the each child. She also discussed with you how you have improved your knowledge and understanding of the learning and development requirements to ensure children make good progress in their learning. The inspector discussed with you how you have improved your knowledge of the safeguarding and welfare requirements to ensure children are kept safe and well. She reviewed what measures you have implemented to support the two-way flow of information with parents and other professionals to ensure you share information about children's development. She also reviewed how you are helping parents to guide their children's progress at home. The inspector discussed what action you have taken to ensure children's care is tailored to meet their individual needs. She also discussed how you are supporting children's understanding of diversity and difference.

The inspector found that you have developed a comprehensive action plan to address the issues raised at your last inspection and have introduced systems to evaluate the quality of practice and the impact this has on outcomes for children. This has enabled you to accurately prioritise the areas for improvement identified at your last inspection and to plan for ongoing improvement.

You have organised your records to ensure they are easily accessible and available for inspection.

You have reviewed your documentation and information about who children normally live with and who has parental responsibility for each child has been recorded for

each child.

Through further training you are developing your knowledge and understanding of the learning and development requirements. You have also accessed current guidance documents to improve your knowledge of the statutory framework. This is helping you to ensure you are meeting the learning and development requirements and the safeguarding and welfare requirements.

You have welcomed support from your local authority and have implemented a system for sharing information with parents and other professionals for children who enjoy shared care. You are encouraging parents to share information about children's progress at home through daily discussions and are sharing your observations with them. This ensures you have accurate information about children's attainment that you can use to plan activities that offer children challenge and help them to make good progress in their learning.

You have taken action to develop the equal opportunities policy and procedures to ensure children's care is tailored to meet their individual needs and they are beginning to understand and value diversity and difference.

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**

| <b>Action</b>   | <b>Due date</b> | <b>Closed date</b> |
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| enable a two-way flow of information with parents and between providers, with particular regard to sharing information about children's development with other early years provision that children attend and by supporting parents in guiding their children's development at home                       | 06/04/2014      | 06/04/2014         |
| obtain and record information from parents about which parent and/or carer the child normally lives with and information about any person who has parental responsibility for the child   | 06/04/2014      | 06/04/2014         |
| ensure that all records are easily accessible and available for inspection  | 06/04/2014      | 06/04/2014         |
| implement the equal opportunities policy and procedures by ensuring that each child's care is tailored to meet their individual needs and by helping all children value diversity and difference through discussions, activities and resources  | 06/04/2014      | 06/04/2014         |
| gain a secure knowledge and understanding of the learning and development requirements and the safeguarding and welfare requirements of the Statutory framework for the Early Years Foundations Stage, to ensure that children make good progress in their learning and are kept safe and well.           | 06/04/2014      | 06/04/2014         |
| ensure that the following records are maintained; the name, home address, date of birth of each child who is looked after on the premises and the name, home address and telephone number of a parent/carer of each child who is looked after on the premises (compulsory part of the Childcare Register) | 06/04/2014      | 06/04/2014         |
| ensure that childcare is inclusive by taking reasonable steps to ensure that the needs of each child, relating to their childcare, are met (compulsory part of the Childcare Register)  | 06/04/2014      | 06/04/2014         |

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