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

An Ofsted inspector, Ann Doubleday, monitored your provision on 08/04/2014 following your inspection where the provision was judged to be inadequate.

## **Outcome of monitoring**

As a result of our inspection on 03/09/2013, we sent you a welfare requirements notice.

The welfare requirements notice required you to complete the following actions by 14 October 2013: ensure a daily record of children's hours of attendance is kept and maintained accurately and foster a culture of continuous improvement, for example, by implementing rigorous and effective systems to monitor and evaluate practice, which includes feedback from parents and children, and use this to inform priorities and set challenging targets for improvement.

In addition to the welfare requirements notice you were also issued a notice to improve. The notice to improve set out an action that asked you to: obtain written parental permission for children to take part in outings; and improve the use of observations of children's learning by using the information gathered to accurately identify the next steps in each child's development and use this information to ensure that future planning is precisely matched to children's individual needs so that they make good progress.

During the monitoring visit the inspector observed you with minded children, looked at documentation and discussed with you the steps taken to address the actions raised in the notice to improve. The inspector spoke to you about any support you have received from representatives from the local authority. You said that you had arranged for someone to speak to you and other childminders from the local authority, but that they had not contacted you back.

The inspector found that you have maintained a daily record of children's attendance and have obtained consent from parents to take children on outings. This contributes to keeping children safe and promotes working in partnership with parents.

You have evaluated your practice and recognise where you need to improve your

skills in order to provide better care and learning for children. You have started to record more detailed observations of children's progress, linking them to the prime areas of learning and identifying next steps in their development. There are general plans in place for a month, but you were able to expand on these to tell me how you are planning to meet children's individual learning needs in order to help children make good progress.

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