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Our Reference EY434054

Monitoring for provision judged as inadequate

An Ofsted inspector, Carla Roberts, monitored your provision on 02/04/2014 following your inspection where the provision was judged to be inadequate.

Outcome of monitoring

As a result of our inspection on 13/02/2014, we sent you a welfare requirements notice. The actions you were set are included at the end of this letter.

The welfare requirement notice asked you to ensure there is a policy and procedure in place to safeguard children and that this is implemented in line with the guidance and procedures of the relevant Local Safeguarding Children Board, to include the action to be taken in the event of an allegation being made against a professional or household member.

You were also issued with a notice to improve which asked you to take steps to ensure adult behaviour is suitable when minded children are present; ensure all records are easily accessible and available for inspection; keep and implement a written statement of procedures to be followed for the protection of children, intended to safeguard the children being cared for from abuse or neglect (compulsory and voluntary part of the Childcare Register) and ensure that Ofsted is informed of any significant event which is likely to affect their suitability or any person caring for children on the premises, such as any offences or orders that may disqualify them (compulsory and voluntary part of the Childcare Register).

At the monitoring visit on 2 April 2014, the inspector found through observation of practice, discussions with you and scrutiny of records that you have taken action to meet the requirements for all areas identified as requiring improvement.

We found that you have a suitable safeguarding policy in place which covers the process to be followed in the event of an allegation being made against you and if you have concerns about the wellbeing of a child in your care. This is in line with the guidance from the Local Safeguarding Children Board. You confirmed that you make this policy available for all parents of children you provide care for. You were able to demonstrate through discussion a good understanding of safeguarding and you were clear as to what action you would take to address any concerns you had about the

welfare of a child in your care. You were also able to confirm verbally that if an allegation was made against you or another household member that you would immediately pass this information on to the Local Safeguarding Children Board to enable them to carry out their duties. You have taken appropriate action to address this matter.

We found that you have taken steps to ensure that any adult behaviour around minded children is appropriate. You were able to confirm what action you have taken to restrict access to the premises while childminding takes place and what you would do if any person were to arrive at the premises and behave inappropriately. You demonstrated verbally a good understanding of the impact that inappropriate behaviour of adults could have on children you provide care for. You have taken appropriate action to meet this requirement.

We found that you have all necessary documentation in place and that any information or documentation requested by the inspector at the time of the visit was available and easily accessible. We are satisfied that you have records in place to ensure the safe and efficient management of your childcare service.

We also found that you demonstrated a good understanding of the notification process to Ofsted. You were able to confirm verbally the types of information you need to share with Ofsted and what would be seen as a significant event. We are satisfied that you will take appropriate steps to notify Ofsted of any significant information in the future.

Overall the inspector found that you have taken the necessary action to drive the improvements needed and no further monitoring visits are required.

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
take steps to ensure adult behaviour is suitable when minded children are present	31/03/2014	02/04/2014
ensure all records are easily accessible and available for inspection	31/03/2014	02/04/2014
keep and implement a written statement of procedures to be followed for the protection of children, intended to safeguard the children being cared for from abuse or neglect (compulsory part of the Childcare Register)	31/03/2014	02/04/2014
keep and implement a written statement of procedures to be followed for the protection of children, intended to safeguard the children being cared for from abuse or neglect(voluntary part of the Childcare Register)	31/03/2014	02/04/2014
ensure that Ofsted is informed of any significant event which is likely to affect their suitability or any person caring for children on the premises, such as any offences or orders that may disqualify them (compulsory part of the Childcare Register)	31/03/2014	02/04/2014
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