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Our Reference EY345859

Dear Chalke Valley Playschool Committee

Monitoring for provision judged as inadequate

An Ofsted inspector, Diane Burt, monitored your provision on 15/07/2014 following your inspection where the provision was judged to be inadequate.

Outcome of monitoring

As a result of our inspection on 09/06/2014, we sent you a welfare requirements notice. If you were set actions at the inspection, or as a result of our subsequent monitoring or investigations, these are included at the end of this letter unless we have already verified that they have been completed.

and a notice to improve. The actions you were set are included at the end of this letter.

The welfare requirements notice required you to comply with the Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage under the following requirements: Child Protection and Suitable People. The steps you were required to take were detailed in full in the notice sent to you on 7 July 2014.

At the monitoring visit, completed on 15 July 2014, you had taken prompt and effective action and were complying with the requirements of this notice. You have developed an action plan to address the issues raised at your last inspection and have worked hard to ensure this covers all areas that were identified at your inspection. This has enabled you to accurately identify how to address the areas for improvement identified at your last inspection and to plan for ongoing improvement.

You have ensured that the managers of your pre-school and after school club have both completed online level 3 safeguarding training. They were confident when questioned by the inspector on the types of abuse and signs and symptoms. There is a member of the committee who has completed full designated

safeguarding officer training who can be contacted at any time. This means that children are now safeguarded as staff can act appropriately if they have any cause for concern.

There is now a robust recruitment policy in place, and all existing staff have had new references and DBS checks completed. Any member of staff who doesn't have a completed check is not left alone with children or allowed to change nappies. Recruitment procedures are also in place and you have looked to the future to ensure any new staff are checked thoroughly, and revised procedures will be followed to minimise risk from unvetted adults.

Induction has been given to all staff, some of whom are new to the role, and this will be monitored by the manager. The robustness of your recruitment and vetting procedures now means that all staff are now appropriately vetted, which safeguards children.

You have had excellent support from the local authority worker and you continue to work very well with them.

Although the due date for the notice of action to improve is not until September 19 2014 you have also started to meet these requirements.

The staff have completed basic online safeguarding training and are to complete in-house training with the local authority worker to further enhance their knowledge. You have completed an induction with all staff to ensure they are aware of their roles and responsibilities. All staff have a copy of the setting's policies and procedures on safeguarding and administering medication. The manager will assess knowledge and understanding at regular staff meetings.

You are sending a number of staff on an ECAT course to improve their knowledge and are working with the early years teacher to build on this. You are also working with another setting to share good practice.

Having considered all the evidence, the inspector is of the opinion that at this time you have taken prompt and effective action to address the points for improvement.

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Next steps

The next step will be further monitoring.

I hope that you have found the visit helpful in promoting improvement in your setting. If you have any further queries please contact us on the number at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely

Nick Hudson
National Director, Early Education

Actions

Action	Due date	Closed date
ensure that there is a designated staff member who has attended a child protection course training course to take the lead responsibility for safeguarding children, and who can provide advice, support and guidance to the staff team and the management committee	14/07/2014	15/07/2014
ensure that a vetting process is completed to check that staff looking after children are suitable to do so, including the use of the Disclosure and Barring Service	14/07/2014	15/07/2014
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ensure that there is a designated staff member who has attended a child protection training course to take the lead responsibility for safeguarding children, and who can provide advice, support and guidance to the staff team and the management committee	30/06/2014	15/07/2014
ensure that robust induction systems are followed to help staff understand their roles and responsibilities, in particular with reference to child protection and the administering of medication to children	30/06/2014	15/07/2014
improve staff interaction with children during play, to make sure that children are challenged appropriately and helped to move on to the next stage in their learning, with particular regard to increasing their language skills quickly	21/07/2014	
train all staff to understand the safeguarding policy and procedures, and ensure that all staff have up-to-date	30/06/2014	

knowledge of safeguarding issues

make sure there are effective systems in place to ensure that any persons caring for, or in regular contact with, children are suitable to work with children (compulsory part of the Childcare Register)	30/06/2014	15/07/2014
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make sure there are effective systems in place to ensure that any persons caring for, or in regular contact with, children are suitable to work with children (voluntary part of the Childcare Register).	30/06/2014	15/07/2014
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