

Inspection date3 March 2015Previous inspection date22 January 2009

The quality and standards of the early years provision

This inspection:

Previous inspection:

Good

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The setting meets legal requirements for early years settings

## Summary of key findings for parents

#### The provision meets requirements

- The childminder demonstrates a good understanding of the Early Years Foundation Stage learning and development requirements. She knows how to observe and assess children's learning in order to plan activities that the children enjoy, provide suitable challenge and encourage children's continuing development.
- The childminder demonstrates, through discussion, that she has a very good understanding of how to protect children in her care. She is aware of the signs and symptoms of abuse, to help her recognise when children may be at risk of harm and is confident to report concerns, in line with Local Safeguarding Children Board guidelines.
- The childminder talks about effective methods for engaging parents and encouraging them to share what they know about their child. She recognises the importance of finding out about children's care routines when children start attending and explains the sound practices she plans to adopt to keep parents informed of children's achievements.
- The childminder understands the importance of promoting the health and safety of the children in her care. She has assessed and minimised the potential risks to children within her home and talks about carrying out risk assessments before children go on outings, to promote their safety.

There were no children present when this inspection took place. The findings in this report are based on evidence gathered from discussions with those who care for the children and an inspection of the premises, equipment and relevant documentation. Where there are no children present, no judgement is made on the quality of the early years provision as there is no reliable evidence on which to assess its impact on children. The report states whether the provider continues to meet the requirements of registration.

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# **Inspection activities**

■ The inspector checked evidence of suitability of the childminder.

- The inspector looked at the rooms used for childminding and the outdoor play environment.
- The inspector looked at a selection of policies and records.
- The inspector spoke with the childminder about the service she provides.

## **Inspector**

Clair Stockings

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## **Setting details**

Unique reference number EY360684

**Local authority** Essex

**Inspection number** 873590

Type of provision Childminder

Registration category Childminder

Age range of children 0 - 17

**Total number of places** 6

Number of children on roll 0

Name of provider

**Date of previous inspection** 22 January 2009

Telephone number

The childminder was registered in 2007 and lives in Basildon. She operates all year round from 8am to 6pm, Monday to Friday, except for bank holidays and family holidays.

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