

Compliance action taken for childcare provision

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Summary of outcome

On 23 November 2016, we received a notification from the provider that a child had been left behind in the nursery garden when a group of children had been taken on a walk.

This means that the provider met their legal responsibility as set out in the Early Years Foundation Stage welfare requirements relating to 'suitable people'. In particular to, 'notify Ofsted particulars of any significant event which is likely to affect the suitability of the early years provider or any person who cares for, or who is in regular contact with children'.

We carried out an unannounced visit to the provider to discuss the incident and consider the information that they provided. As a result of our visit we found that the provider had taken appropriate action. They were in the process of completing their own internal investigation. They identified the need to reinforce the whole staff teams knowledge and understanding of the missing child and whistleblowing policies to ensure that they were all familiar with the correct procedures to follow. They reviewed their procedure for internal walks and the documentation used when planning a walk/outing. They also recognised that parents were not informed promptly of the incident and will ensure that this does not occur in the future.

The provider has taken appropriate action and continues to meet the requirements for registration.

The provider remains registered with Ofsted.

Publication of compliance action

We aim to ensure that the welfare of children and young people is protected in the services we regulate. The Childcare Act 2006 and accompanying

regulations set out our responsibilities to regulate childminders and childcare providers. This includes the enforcement powers we have in relation to those registered providers who do not comply with the requirements for registration.

We publish details of any actions we take, or the childminder or childcare provider takes to bring about compliance with requirements on our website for a period of five years commencing on the date we complete our investigation.

For further information please read the *Early years compliance handbook* which can be found here at www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-provider-non-compliance-action-by-ofsted .