

Compliance action taken for childcare provision

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Summary of outcome

On 4 December 2016, we received a notification from an outside agency that raised concerns about the suitability of a person associated with the setting. We needed to look into these concerns to see if the childminder is meeting the early years foundation stage safeguarding and welfare requirements. In particular, the requirements relating to suitable people and child protection.

We suspended the childminder's registration because we believed children may be at risk of harm. Suspension allows time for the provider to take steps to reduce or eliminate the risk of harm to children.

We liaised with other lead agencies and completed interviews on 14 December 2016. We found that the provider had an appropriate understanding of safeguarding procedures and how to protect children's safety and welfare. It was identified that the provider had failed to notify of Ofsted of a significant event regarding a suitability issue. On this occasion, we issued the provider with a warning letter about this matter.

We have now lifted the suspension because the provider took appropriate action to deal with the matter that led to the suspension and we are satisfied that there is now no risk of harm to children as a result of this matter.

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 .