

Compliance action taken for childcare provision

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Summary of outcome

On 2 June 2017, we carried out a third monitoring visit, following an inspection where the provider was judged to be providing a service that was 'inadequate'. As a result of the second monitoring visit we sent the provider a welfare requirements notice and actions to improve. The welfare requirements notice required the provider to comply with the Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage under the following requirement: 3.6 Child protection. The actions to improve required the provider to comply with the requirements: 3.28 Ratios, 3.50 Accident or injury, 3.64 Risk assessment, LD1 Planning, LD2 Educational programmes and LD3 Assessment.

During the monitoring visit the inspector assessed the progress the provider has made. Staff have attended face-to-face safeguarding training and their knowledge has improved. When the inspector arrived she noted that both ratio and qualification requirements were met and children were appropriately supported. Accidents are recorded and the information is shared with parents promptly, and an effective risk assessment is in place. The inspector observed staff practice and specifically the quality of teaching however, this is variable across the nursery. Some staff are stronger than others in their ability to provide age-appropriate activities to support children's learning. The local authority school readiness team are continuing to support staff to understand more about planning and assessment in order to improve outcomes for children and future visits are planned.

Following the visit we sent the provider action notices that asked them to: 'develop the quality of teaching across the nursery to ensure it is consistent, and support staff to strengthen their understanding of how children learn best at different stages of their development (The Early Years Foundation Stage General Welfare Requirements – Staff qualifications, training, support and skills 3.20) and 'make ongoing assessments of children's progress, to

ensure that next steps in learning are precise and use this information to plan appropriate activities to support progress in all areas of learning' (The Early Years Foundation Stage General Welfare Requirements – LD3 Assessment).

Having considered the evidence, the provider has not taken prompt and effective action to address the points for improvement. The next step will be a full inspection.

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 .