

Compliance action taken for childcare provision

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Summary of outcome

On 28 September 2017 we received a notification from the nursery, and from an outside agency about an incident in which a child was left unsupervised for a brief period of time in the nursery's secure outdoor play area.

We carried out an unannounced visit on 6 October 2017 to establish if there were any breaches of requirements related to the information received.

During our visit we found that the nursery had failed to ensure that children were adequately supervised as a child was not kept in sight or hearing at all times.

We also found that the nursery had not yet made a referral to the Disclosure and Barring Service on this matter. They are required to do so a child was placed at risk of harm in the incident due to the negligence of the staff members involved.

While not part of the reason for the visit, we also found that the nursery were unable to provide proof that staff working with children under the age of 2 years old had attended relevant training.

As a result of our visit we issued the provider of the nursery with a notice of actions to improve that required them to;

Ensure that children are kept in sight or hearing of staff at all time. This is with particular regard to ensuring that children are not left alone in the outdoor area.

Ensure that a referral is made to the Disclosure and Barring Service when a member of staff is dismissed because they either harmed, or placed a child at risk of harm.

Ensure that documentation is made available to an inspector on request during any visit or inspection. This is with specific regard to proof of staff training for working with children under the age of 2 years old.

We are satisfied with the provider's response to the actions raised.

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 .