

## **Compliance action taken for childcare provision**

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### **Summary of outcome**

On, 22 September 2017 we received a notification from the provider regarding concerns raised in respect of safeguarding.

We needed to investigate this concern to see whether the setting was meeting the Early Years Foundation Stage welfare requirements relating to;

'Child protection'. In particular 'Providers must be alert to any issues for concern in the child's life at home or elsewhere. Providers must have and implement a policy, and procedures, to safeguard children. These should be in line with the guidance and procedures of the relevant Local Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB). The safeguarding policy and procedures must include an explanation of the action to be taken in the event of an allegation being made against a member of staff, and cover the use of mobile phones and cameras in the setting.

A practitioner must be designated to take lead responsibility for safeguarding children in every setting. Childminders must take the lead responsibility themselves. The lead practitioner is responsible for liaison with local statutory children's services agencies, and with the LSCB. They must provide support, advice and guidance to any other staff on an ongoing basis, and on any specific safeguarding issue as required.

Providers must have regard to the Government's statutory guidance 'Working Together to Safeguard Children 2013'. If providers have concerns about children's safety or welfare, they must notify agencies with statutory responsibilities without delay. This means the local children's social care services and, in emergencies, the police.

We do not investigate to prove or disprove a complaint but we look into the information we receive to see if the provider is meeting all legal

requirements.

We carried out an unannounced visit to the premises and found that the provider had not followed their safeguarding procedure appropriately.

Following our investigation, we issued a notice of action to improve which requires the provider to:

ensure that safeguarding procedures are followed and that concerns are reported without delay

We will monitor the provider to ensure that they meet the action.

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](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-provider-non-compliance-action-by-ofsted) .