

## Residential holiday scheme for disabled children inspection

<b>Name</b>	<b>Garland House</b>
<b>Inspection date</b>	<b>20 February 2018</b>
<b>Unique reference number</b>	<b>1258701</b>
<b>Registered provider</b>	<b>RNIB, 105 Judd Street, London WC1H 9NE</b>
<b>Registered provider address</b>	<b>Garland House, 144-146 Borough Road, Middlesbrough TS1 2EP</b>

<b>Responsible individual</b>	<b>Teresa Stephenson</b>
<b>Registered manager</b>	<b>Lesley Inganni</b>
<b>Inspector</b>	<b>Joanna Heller</b>

## **This inspection**

### **The effectiveness of the home and the progress and experiences of children and young people since the most recent full inspection**

At this inspection the service was not judged.

Garland House was registered as a holiday scheme for disabled children in July 2017, at which point the registered manager and responsible individual were assessed as suitable.

The scheme offers a programme of residential stays ranging from two to five nights for children and young people aged eight to 17 years. The scheme has been used by 76 children and has operated for 30 days in five venues since registration. As the Garland House Scheme was registered in July 2017, it was due for inspection before the end of March 2018. However, there are currently no children or young people using the service. It was therefore agreed that an inspection would be completed by means of a telephone interview with the registered manager, with no judgement made.

The registered manager has informed Ofsted of impending schemes and confirmed that the scheme will not be operational again until April 2018. The registered manager is aware of her responsibilities in ensuring that all holiday scheme breaks are appropriately planned, staffed and organised.

The registered manager is aware of her safeguarding responsibilities and the need to inform Ofsted of any significant events. Suitable visits have been undertaken to all of the venues where the scheme has operated to monitor the quality of care provided and the suitability of premises.

## **Information about this residential holiday scheme for disabled children.**

The holiday scheme takes place at a variety of regularly used outdoor education centres or activity centres throughout the country. The scheme specialises in providing activity and independence-building opportunities for children and young people who have visual impairment. The scheme has provided 30 days of overnight stays for up to 85 disabled children throughout the year.

## **What the inspection judgements mean**

The experiences of children are at the centre of the inspection. Inspectors will use their professional judgement to determine the weight and significance of their findings in this respect. The judgements included in the report are made against 'Inspection of residential holiday schemes for disabled children: framework for inspection'.

The inspection judgements:

**Outstanding**

**Good**

**Requires improvement**

**Inadequate**

## **Information about this inspection**

Inspectors have looked closely at the experiences of children attending the residential holiday scheme. Inspectors considered whether the work of the residential holiday scheme is founded on safe care and individualised support. They read case files, watched how professional staff work with children and each other, and discussed the effectiveness of care given to children. Wherever possible, they talked to children and parents. In addition the inspectors have tried to understand what the residential holiday scheme knows about how well it is performing, how well it is doing and what difference it is making for the children.

This inspection was carried out under the Care Standards Act 2000 to assess the effectiveness of the service and to consider how well it complies with The Residential Holiday Schemes for Disabled Children (England) Regulations 2013 and the National Minimum Standards.

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