

Compliance action taken for childcare provision

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Summary of outcome

All early years providers must meet the legal requirements in the 'Statutory framework for the early years foundation stage', which you can find at www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-foundation-stage-framework--2. If we find that a provider is not meeting the requirements, we can take action to ensure they put matters right. On 08 May 2018, the provider notified us of a safeguarding concern. This means that they met their legal responsibility to inform Ofsted of significant events. We liaised with other agencies we visited the provider to check if they continued to meet the legal requirements. We have served a notice to improve that requires the provider to take the actions below within the timescales set out.

Actions needed:

ensure the areas designated for the preparation of food and babies bottles are hygienically maintained at all times, by 9 July 2018

take steps to improve the organisation in the setting, and check to ensure that you are complying with the requirements of health and safety legislation, including hygiene requirements, by 9 July 2018.

We conducted an unannounced visit and found that the provider has not taken sufficient action to meet the requirements and we found further breaches of the statutory requirements. We served a Welfare Requirements Notice. This is a legal notice that requires the provider to take the action below within the timescale set out.

take steps to minimise risks in the setting, including the premises security, and the hazard of unrestricted open windows, to ensure children's safety, by 30 July 2018

improve the organisation in the setting, and check to ensure that you are complying with the requirements of health and safety legislation, and fire safety regulations, by 30 July 2018

ensure the premises, including arrangements to promote children's health and hygiene are fit for purpose and suitable for the age of children attending, by 30 July 2018

improve the risk assessment process to ensure that staff carry out ongoing risk assessments to minimize hazards and protect children from harm, by 30 July 2018

monitor practice effectively and ensure all staff have the necessary skills and knowledge to carry out the requirements of their roles, with particular regard to fire safety procedures and health and safety requirements, by 30 July 2018

ensure the areas designated for the preparation of food are hygienically maintained at all times, by 30 July 2018

improve the staff recruitment and vetting arrangements to ensure checks, including those to determine disqualification status are carried out swiftly to confirm that all staff are suitable and safe to work with children, by 30 July 2018

ensure that records are accessible and available for inspection, by 30 July 2018.

On 31 July 2018, we carried out a further visit and we were satisfied with the action taken by the provider to meet the welfare requirements notice. The provider had improved the safety in the setting, including the arrangements for fire safety, hygiene and recruitment and vetting procedures to ensure all staff are suitable to work with children. The provider will be able to give parents further information about this.
The provider is still 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.