

1216505

Hennessy Living Group Limited

Monitoring visit

Inspected under the social care common inspection framework

Information about this children's home

The home is run by a private organisation and is registered for the care and accommodation of up to five children or young people who have physical and/or learning disabilities, and for short breaks for up to two children or young people who have physical and/or learning disabilities. The manager is in post but has not yet registered with Ofsted.

Inspection date: 1 October 2018

This monitoring visit

This monitoring visit took place to monitor the actions of the provider in order to comply with the notice to suspend the registration of a children's home.

A notice to suspend the registration of the children's home was issued to the provider on 26 January 2018 following allegations against staff. No children were resident at the home, having previously been moved by the placing authority.

This monitoring visit confirmed that no children or young people have been admitted to the home since the notice was put in place.

A multi-agency local authority strategy meeting took place on 9 July 2018. At this meeting, a decision was made to instigate an internal investigation into the concerns raised by children and young people by an independent body appointed by the provider. The investigation has been completed.

The provider has commenced refurbishment and redecoration of the home. This is still ongoing.

The provider has requested a variation to its current conditions of registration and has recruited six members of staff and five bank workers to create a new staff team. The employment of staff is within the provider's plans to open the setting as a home for children who have emotional and behavioural disorders. Training has been

identified to ensure that all staff have the relevant skills and knowledge for their roles. All staff are either qualified or enrolled on the appropriate level of qualification required.

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
22/01/2018	Interim	Sustained effectiveness
05/09/2017	Full	Good
09/02/2017	Interim	Improved effectiveness
08/11/2016	Full	Requires improvement

What does the children's home need to do to improve?

Recommendations

- Some records may be kept electronically (regulation 38) provided that this information can be easily accessed by anyone with a legitimate need to view it and, if required, be reproduced in a legible form. ('Guide to the children's homes regulations including the quality standards', page 61, paragraph 14.2)
- Records must be kept detailing all individual incidents when children go missing from the home (regulation 36 (schedule 3(14))). In particular, evaluation of missing incidents should be undertaken to identify any gaps in training, skills or knowledge for staff or to record and retain evidence of what worked well. ('Guide to the children's homes regulations including the quality standards', page 46, paragraph 9.31)
- It is good practice for a note of the content and/or outcomes of supervision sessions to be kept and to ensure that both the person giving the supervision and the staff member have a copy of the record. ('Guide to the children's homes regulations including the quality standards', page 61, paragraph 13.4) In particular, ensure that actions are highlighted and timescales for completion are recorded.

Information about this inspection

The purpose of this visit was to monitor the action taken and the progress made by the children's home since its last Ofsted inspection.

This inspection was carried out under the Care Standards Act 2000.

Children's home details

Unique reference number: 1216505

Provision sub-type: Children's home

Registered provider: Hennessy Living Group Limited

Registered provider address: Helme Hall, Helme Lane, Holmfirth HD9 5RL

Responsible individual: Christopher Goundry

Registered manager: Post vacant

Inspector

Michael Dack: social care inspector

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