

1232171

Registered provider: In Safe Hands Care Ltd

Interim inspection

Inspected under the social care common inspection framework

Information about this children's home

The children's home is owned and managed by a sole provider. It provides care for children and young people whose plan is for them to live in medium- to long-term residential care. The qualified and experienced manager has held registered manager status at this home since May 2016.

Inspection date: 1 March 2019

Judgement at last inspection: good

Date of last inspection: 25 September 2018

Enforcement action since last inspection: none

This inspection

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

This home was judged good at the last full inspection. At the interim inspection, Ofsted judges that it has improved effectiveness.

The staff want the very best for the young people in their care. The care and support provided by the staff has made a sustained and meaningful difference. The young people have made continual progress. They have become more emotionally resilient, understand the advice given, and make changes to reduce risk-taking behaviour. The young people enjoy social activities, have learned age-appropriate independence skills, and have rebuilt positive family relationships.

Risk-taking behaviour continues to reduce, including missing-from-care incidents and child sexual exploitation risks. The staff are aware of the signs and take appropriate action to safeguard the young people. The young people respond well to the clear

boundaries and rules that keep them safe. This is a result of the strong and trusting relationships that they have built with the staff.

Most requirements from the last inspection have been met. Risk assessments have been reviewed regularly and include clear strategies to assist staff in reducing the identified risks. Safeguarding notifications to the regulator include the relevant information required to maintain oversight. The statement of purpose has been reviewed, and repeated information has been removed. The staff appropriately intervene when young people use offensive language, and they discuss positive social interactions with the young people. All staff have received training to develop their insight about responding to self-harming behaviours. The registered manager routinely receives formal supervision. Regulation 44 monitoring reports are sent to Ofsted in line with the regulations, and assist the manager on identifying any shortfalls.

One requirement is partially met. The regulation 44 independent visitor reports that the young people are safeguarded effectively. However, the visitor does not specifically give an opinion on whether the conduct of the home promotes children's well-being.

The manager has a positive involvement in the care practices and oversight of the home. Consistent care is provided by an experienced, well-trained and stable staff team. The young people benefit greatly from the improved and thorough auditing systems. These assist the manager considerably to monitor the quality of care that the young people receive, and this ensures their continual progress.

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
25/09/2018	Full	Good
20/03/2018	Full	Requires improvement to be good
20/02/2017	Interim	Improved effectiveness
06/12/2016	Full	Outstanding

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

Statutory requirements

This section sets out the actions that the registered persons must take to meet the Care Standards Act 2000, Children's Homes (England) Regulations 2015 and the 'Guide to the children's homes regulations including the quality standards.' The registered persons must comply within the given timescales.

Requirement	Due date
<p>The independent person must produce a report about a visit ("the independent person's report") which sets out, in particular, the independent person's opinion as to whether—</p> <p>the conduct of the home promotes children's well-being.</p> <p>(Regulation 44 (1)(4)(b))</p>	28/05/2019

Information about this inspection

Inspectors have looked closely at the experiences and progress of children and young people. Inspectors considered the quality of work and the differences made to the lives of children and young people. They watched how professional staff work with children and young people and each other and discussed the effectiveness of help and care provided. Wherever possible, they talked to children and young people and their families. In addition, the inspectors have tried to understand what the children's home knows about how well it is performing, how well it is doing and what difference it is making for the children and young people whom it is trying to help, protect and look after.

This inspection focused on the effectiveness of the home and the progress and experiences of children and young people since the most recent full inspection.

Using the 'Social care common inspection framework', this inspection was carried out under the Care Standards Act 2000 to assess the effectiveness of the service, how it meets the core functions of the service as set out in legislation, and to consider how well it complies with the Children's Homes (England) Regulations 2015 and the 'Guide to the children's homes regulations including the quality standards.'

Children's home details

Unique reference number: 1232171

Provision sub-type: Children's home

Registered provider: In Safe Hands Care Ltd

Registered provider address: Peter Wray Accountancy Services, 48-50 Wakefield Road, Pontefract, South Yorkshire WF7 7AB

Responsible individual: Terry Carr

Registered manager: Terry Carr

Inspector

Debbie Foster, social care inspector

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