

# 1254745

Registered provider: Homes 2 Inspire Limited

Interim inspection

Inspected under the social care common inspection framework

## **Information about this children's home**

The home provides care and accommodation for up to five young people who have emotional and/or behavioural difficulties. A private company owns and operates the home.

**Inspection date:** 12 March 2019

**Judgement at last inspection:** Good

**Date of last inspection:** 11 October 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 sustained effectiveness.

The registered manager and staff have acted on the two requirements made at the last full inspection. The functioning of the home has improved as a result.

Young people are making good progress. Since the last inspection, one young person has been supported to return to their family. Staff showed commitment to the young person after they left through their informal 'staying close' support package. The registered manager intends to develop this work further.

Staff undertake creative and regular direct work with young people. This work focuses on the individual needs of young people and addresses any specific issues of concern. Staff are particularly tenacious in engaging external agencies to work with young people.

Most young people are making progress in education. The manager is proactive in getting young people into good education provision at the early stages of their

placement.

Young people take part in an array of fun activities. Staff are particularly committed to ensuring that young people are kept busy and engaged. They make sure that young people have memorable experiences during holiday periods.

Children's emotional health and well-being needs are recognised as important. Staff work with child and adolescent mental health services and the organisation's own emotional health and well-being service to ensure that staff are equipped to support young people's needs well.

Young people's missing from care episodes reduce over time. A police sergeant said: 'The manager is fabulous. Communication is really good. The manager attends all police intelligence forums and shares key information.'

### Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
11/10/2018	Full	Good
15/02/2018	Interim	Improved effectiveness
14/08/2017	Full	Requires improvement to be good

### 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:** 1254745

**Provision sub-type:** Children's home

**Registered provider:** Homes 2 Inspire Limited

**Registered provider address:** Homes 2 Inspire Limited, 19 Elmfield Road, Bromley, Kent BR1 1LT

**Responsible individual:** Mark Trinder

**Registered manager:** Elaine Ashmore

## **Inspector**

Bev Allison, social care inspector

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