

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 21 June 2019 we received information that indicated that the provider may not be meeting requirements, namely that on 19 June 2019 four children had left the setting unattended via a side gate that was not secured. The children made their way to the setting car park where they were found by a parent. Staff noticed the children had gone and the children were returned to the setting approximately one minute later.

We visited the setting on 26 June 2019. We found that though the breach in the security of the premises was serious, the provider took immediate action to safeguard children and to comply with safeguarding and welfare requirements in relation to staff:child ratios, risk assessment and safety. The risk assessment process has been thoroughly reviewed and updated to ensure all gates are secure. The provider has reviewed safety arrangements across the garden areas to make sure that children remain safely supervised at all times. The provider remains 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.

