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Tees-Valley Care Limited

Monitoring visit

Inspected under the social care common inspection framework

Information about this children's home

This home is registered to provide care and accommodation for up to four children or young people who may have emotional and/or behavioural difficulties. The manager has not submitted a completed application and therefore her suitability has not been tested during a fit person interview. The responsible individual has significant experience of working with children in residential care.

Inspection date: 16 December 2019

This monitoring visit

The purpose of this visit was to monitor three compliance notices issued in November 2019. This monitoring visit found the provider has taken action to address the steps identified in the compliance notices issued under regulations 12, 13 and 14. Consequently, the compliance notices are deemed met.

One child has been placed very recently at the home. The impact risk assessment recognises the risks and the actions needed to keep the child safe. The provider is not intending to place any other children until a suitable match can be identified and the current child is feeling settled and safe. The effectiveness of the matching documentation which would address the impact of any new child's placement cannot be evaluated.

The home's policies and procedures have been revised, and staff have signed to say they have read and understood them. Essential safeguarding training has been repeated and staff demonstrated an understanding of the risks children in care are exposed to. These risks include county lines, harmful sexual behaviour, and child sexual and criminal exploitation.

The staff have reflected on the updated behaviour management policy and can demonstrate how they would respond when facing potentially complex and challenging behaviours from children.

The responsible individual demonstrated his keenness to attend team meetings, observe staff practice and to carry out regular supervisions of the staff and manager. He envisages that this will improve his oversight of the home and provide him with some assurance of the quality of care afforded to children. Oversight of children's records will promote reflection on the known and potential risks, and the strategies needed for the staff to respond in a consistent way. The effect of the enhanced monitoring has not been evaluated during this visit.

Regular health and safety monitoring takes place which assures the provider that the premises are safe. Risks posed by ongoing work in the garden are being suitably assessed until the garden area is restored.

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
12/08/2019	Interim	Sustained effectiveness
16/04/2019	Full	Requires improvement to be good
23/10/2018	Full	Requires improvement to be good
13/09/2018	Full	Inadequate

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: 1272220

Provision sub-type: Children's home

Registered provider: Tees-Valley Care Limited

Registered provider address: Cargo Fleet Offices, Dormor Way, South Bank, Middlesbrough Road, South Bank, Middlesbrough TS6 6XH

Responsible individual: Daniel Johns

Registered manager: Post vacant

Inspector

Parveen Hussain: social care regulatory inspection manager

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