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Registered provider: National Deaf Children's Society

Interim inspection

Inspected under the social care common inspection framework

Information about this residential holiday scheme for disabled children

This large and diverse charity supports deaf children and their families through a range of information and support services. Programmes of activities are provided to challenge and inspire deaf children aged eight to 18 years. Some children may also have additional needs. The holiday and activity schemes consist of a variety of one-day, weekend and week-long events dedicated to outdoor sports or creative activities. Events within the scheme vary in size and are based in a range of venues across the country.

Inspection date: 13 March 2020

Judgement at last inspection: good

Date of last inspection: 22 March 2019

Enforcement action since last inspection: none

This inspection

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

At this interim inspection the holiday scheme was 'not judged'.

This inspection was planned as a two-day full inspection. The inspection started on the organisation's planning day when there were no children present. The children were due to arrive the following day. However, the organisation cancelled the holiday because of problems with the venue's heating system. They deemed it not safe to continue due to the cold weather. Therefore, the inspection could not continue or be completed.

Despite the holiday not going ahead, the inspector found that the holiday was well organised. Staff were recruited safely and trained in advance of their arrival. There were good plans in place for each staff member to familiarise themselves with children's specific needs, care plans and risk assessments.

The organisation demonstrated that it is forward-thinking and creative. Its staff are committed to making sure that the children directly benefit from their holidays and that they learn new skills that they can use in their wider lives.

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
22 March 2019	Full	Good
02 February 2018	Full	Good
02 March 2017	Full	Good
18 August 2015	Full	Good

Residential holiday scheme for disabled children's details

Unique reference number: 1027090

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Responsible individual: Helen Cable

Registered manager: Mark Bolton

Inspector

Caroline Brailsford, social care inspector

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