

## **Compliance action taken for childcare provision**

Ref: EY557636/4581132

Date: 1 October 2020

### **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](http://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 September 2020 we received a notification from the provider. This notification means that the provider met their legal responsibility as set out in the early years foundation stage welfare requirements to notify Ofsted. On the 23 September 2020, after visiting the provider to discuss the notification, we suspended their registration because we believed that children may be at risk of harm. Suspension allows time for the provider to take steps to reduce or eliminate the risk of harm to children.

We have issued a welfare requirement notice. The provider needs to take the following action by 7 October 2020;

take steps to ensure that children are unable to leave the premises unsupervised and to prevent unauthorised persons or animals entering the premises

ensure that risks are managed appropriately so that staff and children are kept safe at all times

ensure the premises are safe, secure and suitable for the age of the children cared for.

On 8 October 2020, we carried out a monitoring visit. We found that the provider had taken satisfactory action to meet the welfare requirement notice and the actions raised. Clear information is displayed on the boundary to the setting and in the woodland areas informing the public that children are playing in the vicinity and dogs must be kept under control. Boundary fencing and tape are in place to stop children leaving unsupervised and adults and animals entering. Risk assessments have been reviewed and updated and clear records will be maintained of children's attendance at the setting. The name and contact details of the setting will be on children's clothing. As a result of the action taken by the provider, we lifted the suspension on the 9 October 2020 as there was no longer a risk of harm to children. The provider was able to resume providing care.

The provider is still 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.

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](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-provider-non-compliance-action-by-ofsted).