

Compliance action taken for childcare provision

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Summary of outcome

Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Education, Children's Services and Skills is leading Ofsted's work into how regulated early years and childcare providers in England have delivered childcentred practice and care, within the context of the restrictions placed on society during the COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic.

All early years providers must meet the legal requirements in the <u>Statutory framework for</u> <u>the early years foundation stage</u>. If we find that a provider is not meeting the requirements, we can take action to ensure they put matters right.

On 2 July 2019, we carried out an inspection and found the provider was not meeting some of these requirements. The overall effectiveness of the provision was judged to be requires improvement. The inspection report sets out the actions the provider was asked to take to meet the requirements.

On 21 October 2020, while routine inspections were suspended, we carried out an interim visit. The focus of the visit was to check whether the provider had met the safeguarding and welfare actions, raised at their last inspection.

We found the provider had met some of the safeguarding and welfare actions but not others. Staff have improved their knowledge and understanding of the wider aspects of safeguarding, in particular the 'Prevent' duty, through training and support. The manager has improved her knowledge of the notifications that must be made to Ofsted.

Additionally, during the visit, we found a new area of concern. The provider has not notified Ofsted of significant changes which is a requirement of their registration. They have not provided details of new committee members to Ofsted. This means that the provider was not meeting other requirements as set out in the Statutory framework for the early years foundation stage. In relation to the new area of concern, we have issued an action for the



provider to take within the timescales set out below. The provider will be able to give parents further information about this. The provider is still registered with Ofsted.

Action needed by 06 November 2020:

provide Ofsted with required information to enable suitability checks to be completed on members of the organisation.

We will monitor the provider's response to ensure the action is successfully completed.

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.