

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 child-centred 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 Statutory framework for the early years foundation stage. If we find that a provider is not meeting the requirements, we can take action to ensure they put matters right.

On 28 November 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 inadequate. The inspection report sets out the actions the provider was asked to take to meet the requirements.

On 18 September 2020, the provider notified us of a safeguarding matter. The notification means that the provider met their legal responsibility as set out in the Statutory framework for the early years foundation stage.

On 9 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 that the provider has developed relationships with other settings that children attend and information is shared to support children's continuity of care. Staff have received support and guidance to help manage children's behaviour in an appropriate manner. They are deployed effectively to ensure that children are appropriately supervised. Effective safeguarding procedures are in place and staff have improved their knowledge and understanding of child protection procedures and now fully understand their responsibilities. Staff have also had training and support in how to deal with complaints and these are managed effectively. The setting now has good partnerships with parents and have introduced new ways of keeping them informed of their key person.

We also discussed the notification received from the provider and found that they had followed the correct safeguarding procedures and no further action was required.

We are satisfied the provider has met the safeguarding and welfare actions raised. 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.