

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 23 October 2020, the provider notified us of a significant event. The notification means that the provider met their legal responsibility as set out in the Statutory framework for the early years foundation stage to notify Ofsted.

On 5 November 2020, we carried out a regulatory visit. We found the provider was not meeting some of the requirements. We have served a welfare requirements notice. This is a legal notice that requires the provider to take the actions below within the timescale set out. The provider will be able to give parents further information about this.

Actions needed by 25 November 2020:

- ensure the designated lead for safeguarding has sufficient skills to give appropriate support, advice and guidance as required and in line with policies and procedures
- ensure all staff understand the safeguarding policy and procedures and have up to date knowledge of safeguarding issues through regular and ongoing training

On 30 November 2020 we monitored the provider's compliance with the welfare requirement notice. We found that all staff have received updated safeguarding training and three members of staff, including the provider, have received updated designated safeguarding lead training. Staff, including the provider, demonstrated a suitable knowledge and understanding of their role in safeguarding children. We are satisfied with the action taken by the provider. 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.