

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.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-foundation-stage-framework--2>.

On 7 January 2021, the provider notified us about 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.

On 12 January 2021, we carried out a regulatory telephone call. We found the provider was not meeting some of the requirements. We have issued actions for the provider to take or We have served a welfare requirements notice. This is a legal notice that requires the provider to take the actions below within the timescales set out.

Actions needed by 29 January 2021:

- strengthen the systems in place to make sure that staff remain suitable to work with children on an ongoing basis, with particular regards to ensuring that any information disclosed is verified with other agencies promptly
- ensure that staff fully understand all matters which could impact on their suitability to work with children and the timeframes by which they need to disclose this information.

On 8 February 2021, we carried out a regulatory telephone call to check what action the provider had taken to meet the above welfare requirements notice. We were satisfied that the provider was now meeting the requirements and no further action was taken. The provider will be able to give parents further information about this. 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.