

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 27 January 2021, we received concerns that the provider was not meeting some of these requirements. On 5 February 2021, we carried out a regulatory visit. We found that there was no evidence of a breach in requirement relating to the initial concerns we received regarding an accident or injury and safety and suitability of the premises. Additionally, during the visit, we found new areas of concern. This means 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 areas of concern 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. The provider will be able to give parents further information about this. The provider is still registered with Ofsted.

Actions needed by 2 March 2021:

- ensure staff are deployed effectively to meet the needs of every child.
- ensure that adult-to-child ratios are met at all times.
- ensure an accurate record of children's attendance is maintained at all times.

On 10 March 2021, we carried out a regulatory visit. The focus of the visit was to check whether the provider had met the safeguarding and welfare actions raised at the regulatory visit on 5 February 2021.

We found that the provider has implemented procedures to ensure staff are effectively deployed and has employed more staff to meet the staff:child ratio requirements. Additionally, the provider has retrained staff in how to accurately record children's

attendance.

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