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Compass Children's Homes Limited

Monitoring visit

Inspected under the social care common inspection framework

Information about this children's home

The home is owned and operated by a private provider. It provides care and accommodation for up to six children who have suffered adverse childhood experiences that have led to associated trauma and presenting complex behaviours.

The manager registered with Ofsted in July 2019.

Inspection date: 11 February 2021

This monitoring visit

This monitoring visit was carried out due to concerns about the home. The independent visitor's reports and the registered manager's quality of care review indicated an escalating pattern of concerns. These concerns related to an increase in the use of physical restraint and some incidents of self-harm. Ofsted last visited this children's home in November 2019 for a full inspection.

This monitoring visit took place during the COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic and was completed remotely.

As a result of this visit, the inspector was satisfied that children were appropriately cared for and safeguarded.

Children's relationships with staff are positive. The staff use these relationships and a range of personalised strategies to reduce children's anxieties. This helps the children to learn new ways of managing their emotions and expressing their feelings.

Before any new children move into the home, the registered manager considers their individual circumstances and experiences, the impact of these on their behaviours and how these behaviours may affect any other children in the home. This information is shared with staff, and when necessary the registered manager provides additional training. This means that the staff have the knowledge and skills to meet the needs of all of the children.

There has been a recent increase in the use of physical restraint for one child. In part, this has been linked to a period of home schooling for some children due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This has increased some children's feelings of frustration and anxiety, which has impacted on their behaviours. Managers and staff have worked hard to reassure children and to offer them lots of support and attention.

Children's risk assessments and behaviour management plans are detailed and clear. Managers and staff review and update these on a regular basis and following any incidents of concern. This means that children receive consistent care and support and that staff have clear guidance and advice on how best to keep children safe.

The registered manager and staff are alert to the potential for some children to self-harm. Staff work in partnership with the home's therapist to understand children's individual behaviours, including self-harm, and to develop strategies to manage and reduce these risks. The registered manager is keeping such incidents under review to ensure that all children are supported appropriately.

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
20/11/2019	Full	Good

Information about this inspection

The purpose of this visit was to monitor the action taken and the progress made by the children's home since its last Ofsted inspection.

This inspection was carried out under the Care Standards Act 2000.

Children's home details

Unique reference number: 2523025

Provision sub-type: Children's home

Registered provider: Compass Children's Homes Limited

Registered provider address: Mountfields House, Epinal Way, Off Squirrel Way, Loughborough, Leicestershire LE11 3GE

Responsible individual: Nicola Brown

Registered manager: Teyte Parrish

Inspector

Andrew Waugh, Social Care Inspector

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