

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, which you can find at www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-foundation-stage-framework--2. If we find that a provider is not meeting the requirements, we can take action to ensure they put matters right.

On 11 May 2021, 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.

On 20 May 2021, 16 and 28 June 2021, we carried out regulatory telephone calls to discuss the notification and the provider's investigation. We found that the provider had not been meeting the statutory requirements relating to the safety and supervision of children when staff take children to the garden but took immediate action to comply.

Additionally, we found new areas of concern. This means the provider was not meeting the requirements as set out in the Statutory framework for the early years foundation stage.

In relation to the new areas of concern, we have issued actions for the provider to take.

The provider will be able to give parents further information about this. The provider is still registered with Ofsted.

Action needed by 12 July 2021:

- take all reasonable steps to prevent unauthorised persons entering the garden

- take all reasonable steps to ensure that children are not exposed to risks and demonstrate how risks are minimised. This is with particular regard to persons not connected to the registration being able to access areas used by the children

- ensure appropriate arrangements are in place for the induction and supervision of all staff. This is to ensure all staff have a clear understanding of their roles and responsibilities, particularly with regard to effective team working and ensuring children's safety and welfare at all times.

We are satisfied with the action taken by the provider.

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.