

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 13 July 2021, the provider notified us of an injury to a child. 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 of significant events.

On 26 July 2021, we carried out a regulatory telephone call. 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 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 10 September 2021:

- implement a safeguarding policy and procedure in line with the local safeguarding children's partnership procedures to ensure that children are effectively safeguarded
- ensure that the designated lead person for safeguarding has a secure knowledge of all safeguarding matters and is able provide support, advice and guidance to any other staff on an ongoing basis
- take action to ensure all staff understand the setting safeguarding policy and procedures, and have up to date knowledge of safeguarding issues, including how to respond to any allegations in an appropriate and timely manner

On 6 October 2021, we carried out a full inspection to monitor the actions set. We found the provider had responded appropriately. Leaders have worked with the local authority to update the settings safeguarding policies and procedures and these now meet requirements. Staff have completed refresher safeguarding training and have a good knowledge of their

responsibilities to safeguard children. Including when to make a referral to those with statutory responsibility, in the event of a concern about a child or an allegation against a member of staff. We are satisfied the provider has met the safeguarding and welfare actions raised. 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.