

Compliance action taken for childcare provision

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Summary of outcome

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 18 November 2021, we carried out an inspection and found the provider was not meeting some of these requirements. The overall effectiveness of the provision was judged to be inadequate. The inspection report sets out the actions the provider was required to take to meet the requirements.

On 26 November 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 their last inspection. We found the provider had met some of the safeguarding and welfare actions but not others.

The provider had improved their supervision of children in their care. They had introduced a written record of any accidents, injuries and first aid treatment given. They had put in place a process for sharing information with parents, regarding how they deliver the EYFS, activities they provide and how parents can share this learning with their children at home. They had put in place a daily record of children's names, and hours of attendance. Required records were accessible and available. The childminder demonstrated an improved understanding of the requirements when using an assistant.

Actions needed by 3 December 2021:

- ensure that the organisation of equipment and premises does not restrict the space available for children to play and learn and meets their individual needs, including providing access to a suitable toilet and hand-washing facilities
- take all reasonable steps to ensure children in your care are not exposed to risks, including securely storing chemicals and maintaining effective hygiene practices
- maintain a record of children's full names and dates of birth, names and address of parents, and emergency contact details for all children in your care
- Include a brief summary of what they have met (positive reporting) and the actions that

they have not met, along with what steps we are taking next (see above for examples).

On 7 December 2021, we found that the provider had met some of the actions set in the welfare requirement notice, but not others. The provider had adapted their use of the premises, increasing the amount of space available and providing access to suitable toilet and handwashing facilities, for minded children. The provider had ensured that all chemicals were securely stored and inaccessible to children. The provider had also created suitable records of children's, and parent's, details including addresses and contact information.

Additionally, during the regulatory visit on 7 December 2021, we found new areas of concern. This means that the provider was not meeting other requirements as set out in the Statutory framework for the early years foundation stage.

We have served another 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 16 December 2021:

- gain a better understanding of current safeguarding issues and local reporting procedures to ensure any concerns about a child's welfare are acted on in a timely manner
- improve your knowledge and understanding of the role of the local authority designated safeguarding officer (LADO) and the action to be taken in the event of an allegation being made against you

Actions needed by 18 February 2022:

- ensure children's behaviour is managed in an appropriate and consistent way, whilst at all times taking into account the age and stage of development of each child
- keep a daily record of the names and hours attendance for all children in your care
- undertake appropriate professional development opportunities, to ensure you have the skills, training and knowledge to offer quality learning and development experiences for all children, and support continuous improvement.