

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 22 January 2022, the provider notified us of a safeguarding concern. 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 safeguarding concerns. On the 25 January 2022 we were also notified by the Designated Officer for the Local Authority of this safeguarding concern.

We suspended the provider's registration on 26 January 2022 because we believed children may have been at risk of harm. Suspension allows time for the provider to take steps to reduce or eliminate the risk of harm to children. The provider had a right to appeal against the suspension.

On 8 February 2022, we carried out a regulatory visit. We found the provider was not meeting some of the requirements. We have served a welfare requirement 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.

Actions needed by 1 March 2022:

- ensure that records are maintained for the safe and efficient management of the setting and to help ensure the needs of the children are met

- ensure all required records are easily accessible and available

- ensure that the following information is held for each child in your care: full name; date of birth; name and address of every parent and/or carer who is known to the provider (and information about any other person who has parent responsibility for the child); which parent(s) and/or carer(s) the child normally lives with; and emergency contact details for parents and/or carers

- ensure a daily record of all the names of the children being cared for on the premises, their hours of attendance and the name of each child's key person is kept

- ensure safeguarding records are clear and sufficiently detailed.

We will monitor the provider's response to ensure the actions are successfully completed.

On 14 February 2022, we lifted the suspension because the threshold for suspension was no longer met. We are satisfied that the identified risk of harm to children has been removed. 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.