

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 06 October 2021, we received concerns that the provider was not meeting some of these requirements.

On 14 October 2021 we suspended the provider's registration because we believed children may be 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 has a right to appeal against a suspension. The provider may not provide childcare for which registration is required while the suspension is in place and may commit an offence if they do so.

On 7 January 2022, we carried out a regulatory visit. 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 February 2022:

- ensure that those in a management position are suitable to fulfil the requirements of their roles

- ensure that all staff including managers have appropriate knowledge, and a clear understanding of their roles and responsibilities
- ensure that the premises is fit for purpose and complies with requirements of health and safety legislation.

On 08 February 2022, we carried out a regulatory visit to monitor the provider and ensure that the actions are successfully completed. We found that the provider has responded to the actions set. The provider had improved their knowledge and understanding of ensuring those in a management position are suitable to fulfil their role, ensuring that staff and managers have a clear understanding of their roles and responsibilities and that the premises is fit for purpose and complies with requirements of health and safety legislation.

On 14 February 2022, we lifted the suspension because the provider took appropriate action to deal with the matter that led to the suspension. 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.

