

# Childminder report

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Inspection date:

14 April 2022

**The quality and  
standards of early  
years provision**

**This  
inspection**

**Not met (with actions)**

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Previous  
inspection

Good

## Summary of key findings

### This provision does not meet requirements

- Safeguarding is not effective. The childminder is unsure about some aspects of safeguarding and child protection. For example, she is not clear of what to do if she has concerns about a child. This is because she was unable to explain the difference between the roles of the local authority designated officer (LADO) and social services. The childminder does not fully understand what the 'Prevent' duty is and what it helps to prevent, such as radicalisation and extremism. This puts children's safety and well-being at risk.
- The childminder is clear of her responsibility to provide children with a safe and secure environment. She completes visual risk assessments of her own premises and any other premises she plans to visit with children. This helps to ensure children's safety.
- The childminder has a secure understanding of the early years age group and how to promote their learning. She explained how her observations of what children can do, help her to plan for what they need to learn next.
- The childminder explained how she involves parents in their children's learning. For example, she obtains information about children's development during their settling-in visits. This helps her to plan how she will continue to build on the skills children already have, when they start.
- The childminder provides regular feedback to parents about what their children are learning. She offers ideas to parents of what they can do with children at home, to support their children's development.
- The childminder understands the requirement for a progress check to be completed for children aged two. She knows that this is to help identify any children who are falling behind in their learning or who need additional support.
- The childminder explained that she will support children to help them learn the difference between right and wrong.

There were no children in the early years age range present when this inspection took place. The findings in this report are based on evidence gathered from discussions with those who care for the children and an inspection of the premises, equipment and relevant documentation. Where there are no early years children present, no judgement is made on the quality of the early years provision as there is no reliable evidence on which to assess its impact on children. The report states whether the provider continues to meet the requirements of registration.

### What does the setting need to do to improve?

**To meet the requirements of the early years foundation stage and Childcare Register the provider must:**

	<b>Due date</b>
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improve knowledge and understanding of safeguarding procedures, with particular regard to the roles of the local authority designated officer (LADO) and the local children's social care services	29/04/2022
improve knowledge and understanding of the government's statutory guidance, 'Working Together to Safeguard Children' and the 'Prevent duty guidance for England and Wales', and ensure they can be explained to parents, carers and others, such as Ofsted inspectors	29/04/2022
ensure information about a child is handled in a way that ensures confidentiality and protects the privacy of children being cared for	29/04/2022
improve knowledge and understanding of when to contact the local safeguarding partners and Director of Children's Services	29/04/2022
ensure you understand and follow a written child protection policy to help safeguard the children you look after from abuse or neglect.	29/04/2022

## Setting details

<b>Unique reference number</b>	EY357642
<b>Local authority</b>	Barnsley
<b>Inspection number</b>	10237483
<b>Type of provision</b>	Childminder
<b>Registers</b>	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register
<b>Day care type</b>	Childminder
<b>Age range of children at time of inspection</b>	2 to 4
<b>Total number of places</b>	6
<b>Number of children on roll</b>	4
<b>Date of previous inspection</b>	12 July 2017

## Information about this early years setting

The childminder was registered in 2007. She lives in the Wombwell area of Barnsley. She operates all year round, from 7.30am to 6pm, Monday to Friday, except for bank holidays and family holidays. The childminder has an appropriate level 3 qualification.

## Information about this inspection

### Inspector

June Rice

### Inspection activities

- This was the first routine inspection the provider received since the COVID-19 pandemic began. The inspector discussed the impact of the pandemic with the provider and has taken that into account in their evaluation of the provider.
- The inspector spoke to the childminder about her understanding of the requirements and how she implements most of these in practice.
- The inspector looked at some of the childminder's documentation, including records she makes of children's progress.
- The inspector observed areas in the home and garden.
- The inspector assessed the childminder's knowledge and understanding of safeguarding practice and procedures that aim to protect children.

We carried out this inspection under sections 49 and 50 of the Childcare Act 2006 on the quality and standards of provision that is registered on the Early Years Register. The registered person must ensure that this provision complies with the statutory framework for children's learning, development and care, known as the early years foundation stage.

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