

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 11 July 2022, we received a concern that the provider was not meeting some of these requirements. We completed a regulatory telephone call to discuss the information. During the conversation we requested photographic evidence and documentation to support the discussions. We also spoke about a further concern we had received in June 2021, which we had assessed to be considered at our next visit or contact with the provider.

We found the provider was not meeting some of those requirements. A notice to improve will be issued to address the weaknesses identified. This requires the provider to act by the date specified.

The action to be completed by 5 August 2022:

ensure the lead practitioner for child protection completes a training course, taking account of any advice given by the local authority, to enable them to identify, understand and respond appropriately to signs of possible abuse and neglect effectively and provide support to other staff

improve the safeguarding procedures to ensure it is reflective of the local safeguarding partnership procedures; include an explanation of the action to be taken when there are concerns about a child and in the event of an allegation being made against a member of staff

improve the information provided for parents and carers about the policies and procedures, including what happens in the event of a child going missing and if a parent or carer fails to collect a child at the appointed time.

The provider has since responded. Staff have completed training on child protection and the wider aspects of safeguarding. Policies and procedures have been reviewed and updated. A new website is being developed to provide parents with more detailed information about the setting.

The provider remains 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.