

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 19 July 2022, 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 report and inspection outcome will be published in due course. The previous inspection was carried out on 28 February 2022, the overall effectiveness of the provision was also judged to be inadequate at that time.

Following the inspection, we suspended the provider's registration on 26 July 2022 because we believe 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.

In addition, 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.

Actions needed by 15 August 2022:

- provide staff with training, support and coaching to raise the quality of their interactions with children and improve their teaching skills
- put effective key person arrangements in place to ensure every child's care is tailored to meet their individual needs, so that all children are helped to feel settled, secure, and safe
- put consistent and positive strategies in place for staff to manage children's behaviour, so that children are able to understand clear boundaries and expectations
- ensure the premises are secure enough to prevent unauthorised persons entering the premises
- take immediate action to put effective risk assessments in place, including for the outdoor

area and baby room so that all hazards are identified and removed.

On 2 August 2022, we visited the provider to ensure that they were complying with the suspension of registration by not providing childcare for which registration is required while the suspension is in place. We found that no childcare was being provided.

On 23 August 2022, we visited and found that the provider had not met the actions set in the welfare requirement notice. Enough action had not been taken to make the garden safe. The provider told us of their intended training for staff. However, since suspension they have not taken action to improve staff knowledge and skills in order to bring about improvement to practice. No improvements had been made to the key person arrangements or to the strategies in place to manage children's behaviour. As a result, suspension remains in place. The provider will be able to give parents further information about this.

On 2 September 2022, the provider notified us of their wish to resign their registration. Consequently, the provider is no longer a registered childcare provider.