

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 08 July 2022, the provider notified us that a child had been able to leave the setting unsupervised. 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 a significant incident.

On 13 July 2022, we carried out a regulatory telephone call. 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.

Actions needed by 12 September 2022:

- implement an effective policy, in line with the local safeguarding partners' guidance, to ensure that the appropriate procedure is followed in relation to concerns about staff
- ensure that staff deployment provides adequate supervision for young children in order to protect their safety
- take all necessary steps to ensure children's safety at all times
- take all reasonable steps to ensure that children are not able to leave the premises unsupervised

- improve risk assessment procedures so that all hazards to children are identified

On 20 September 2022 we conducted a monitoring visit to follow up the actions set.

We found that the provider had developed their safeguarding policy to help ensure that the relevant procedure is followed for any allegations. Staff deployment arrangements had been reviewed to ensure that young children were kept safe. The provider had taken appropriate action to ensure that children are not able to leave the premises unaccompanied. Risk assessments have been improved to ensure that all hazards are identified and minimised.

We are satisfied the provider has met the safeguarding and welfare actions raised. 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.