

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.

We suspended the provider's registration on 7 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.

On 12 August 2022, we carried out a regulatory visit. We found that the provider was not displaying the suspension notice as requested. We found that the provider had not met some of the actions set at the last inspection. Additionally, during the regulatory visit on 12 August, we found new areas of concern. This means that the provider was not meeting other requirements as set out in the Statutory framework for the early years foundation stage. 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 19 September 2022:

- increase safeguarding knowledge to ensure that the signs of possible abuse and neglect are recognised at the earliest opportunity, and responded to in a timely and appropriate way
- develop a greater understanding of your own safeguarding policy by increasing your knowledge about what to do if an allegation is made against yourself or a household member including, what is the role of the local authority designated officer
- implement effective risk assessments relating to hygiene and safety to ensure indoor and outdoor spaces are safe and clean for children to use.

On 23 September 2022 the provider responded to the actions set. We found that the provider had improved their knowledge and understanding of child protection procedures and now fully understands their responsibilities. In addition, the provider had implemented

effective risk assessments relating to hygiene and safety to ensure indoor and outdoor spaces are safe and clean for children to use.

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.