

SC038719

Registered provider: Hampshire County Council

Monitoring visit

Inspected under the social care common inspection framework

Information about this secure children's home

This secure children's home is managed by a local authority. It is approved by the Department for Education to restrict children's liberty. The children's home can accommodate up to 10 children aged between 10 and 17 years. There were five children living at the home at the time of this monitoring visit.

The secure children's home provides accommodation for children placed by local authorities under section 25 of the Children Act 1989.

Admission of any child under section 25 of the Children Act 1989 who is under 13 years of age requires the approval of the Secretary of State.

The commissioning of health services in this home is the statutory responsibility of NHS England under the Health and Social Care Act 2012. Education is provided on site.

The manager was registered with Ofsted on 9 August 2022.

Inspection date: 16 August 2022

This monitoring visit

This monitoring visit was carried out in line with the memorandum of understanding between Ofsted and the Department for Education (DfE).

Inspectors visited the home with specialist architects commissioned by the DfE. This visit forms part of the information that Ofsted provides to the DfE so that the Secretary of State can make a decision about the continuing suitability of the home to restrict children's liberty.

Managers have ensured that the improvements needed to make the physical environment safe and secure are in progress and due to be completed in the near future.

The requirements and recommendations made at the last inspection will be reviewed at the next inspection.

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
05/04/2022	Full	Good
22/02/2022	Interim	Sustained effectiveness
06/07/2021	Full	Requires improvement to be good
22/10/2019	Interim	Improved effectiveness

What does the secure children's home need to do to improve?

Statutory requirements

This section sets out the actions that the registered person(s) must take to meet the Care Standards Act 2000, Children's Homes (England) Regulations 2015 and the 'Guide to the children's homes regulations including the quality standards'. The registered person(s) must comply within the given timescales.

Requirement	Due date
<p>The health and well-being standard is that—</p> <p>the health and well-being needs of children are met. (Regulation 10 (1)(a))</p> <p>Specifically, review the effectiveness of the GP service level agreement to ensure that it meets the needs of the service and the children living in the home.</p>	12 May 2022
<p>The registered person must—</p> <p>keep the statement of purpose under review and, where appropriate, revise it; and</p> <p>notify HMCI of any revisions and send HMCI a copy of the revised statement within 28 days of the revision. (Regulation 16 (4)(a)(b))</p>	12 May 2022
<p>The registered person must ensure that all employees—</p> <p>receive practice-related supervision by a person with appropriate experience; and</p> <p>have their performance and fitness to perform their roles appraised at least once every year. (Regulation 33 (4)(b)(c))</p>	12 May 2022

Recommendations

- The registered person should ensure that they more fully integrate life skills, independent living skills and digital skills into the wider curriculum and the work of the home, expanding their accredited qualification offer to include these subjects. ('Guide to the Children's Homes Regulations, including the quality standards', page 29, paragraph 5.18)

- The registered person should ensure that the incremental steps made by those children who have the greatest distance to travel are captured and celebrated to reflect the progress they are making in their social, personal and academic development. ('Guide to the Children's Homes Regulations, including the quality standards', page 62, paragraph 14.5)

Information about this inspection

The purpose of this visit was to monitor the action taken and the progress made by the secure children's home since its last Ofsted inspection.

This inspection was carried out under the Care Standards Act 2000.

Secure children's home details

Unique reference number: SC038719

Provision sub-type: Secure unit

Registered provider: Hampshire County Council

Registered provider address: 3rd Floor, Elizabeth II Court North, The Castle, Winchester, Hampshire SO23 8UG

Responsible individual: Kieran Lyons

Registered manager: Sarah Herbert

Inspectors

Helen Simmons, Social Care Inspector

Shaun Common, Senior Officer Secure Estate

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