

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 provider is not meeting requirements, we can take action to ensure they put matters right.

On the 6 September 2022, we received concerns that the provider was not meeting some of these requirements. Furthermore on the 25 November 2022 the provider notified us of a significant event. The notification means the provider met their legal responsibility as set out in the Statutory framework for the early years foundation stage to notify Ofsted.

On the 14 and 17 February 2023, we carried out a regulatory visit. We found the provider was not meeting some of the requirements. 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. The provider will be able to give parents further information about this.

Actions needed by 6 March 2023:

- ensure all staff improve knowledge of safeguarding issues and know how to refer child protection concerns in line with local procedures
- ensure people looking after children have checks carried out so they are suitable to have access to children and families
- ensure there is no more than six children being cared for at any one time, and no more than three children in the early years age range
- review the organisation of the premises so there is sufficient floor space to meet requirements
- improve risk assessment arrangements, so that unchecked staff are clear about restrictions within their role until suitability has been assured.

On 9 March 2023, we carried out a regulatory visit. We found that the provider had taken steps to meet all actions. The childminder has ensured staff she works with have improved knowledge and understanding of child protection issues and knows how to report concerns. The provider has addressed arrangements to ensure ratios are maintained at all times. Furthermore, risk assessment processes in regards to suitable people arrangements have been reviewed and is much more robust, as well as ensuring floor space available to children meets requirements at all times. 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.