

Childminder report

Inspection date:

27 February 2023

**The quality and
standards of early
years provision**

**This
inspection**

Not met (with actions)

Previous
inspection

Good

Summary of key findings

This provision does not meet requirements

- The childminder demonstrates a good understanding of child protection procedures. She can discuss the signs and symptoms of abuse. The childminder knows where to report any concerns she may have about children's safety. She keeps her safeguarding training up to date. The childminder ensures the suitability of other adults in the household.
- The childminder has not yet fully considered the risks in the garden to children. For example, the garden contains items that are a hazard for children. In addition, an ornamental pond is not adequately protected to prevent young children from accessing it.
- The childminder discusses the importance of encouraging children to be independent. She demonstrates how to support children to adopt healthy lifestyles. For example, the childminder understands the importance of encouraging children to be physically active and spend time outdoors each day.
- At the time of the inspection, the childminder did not have appropriate insurance in place. This is a breach of requirements.
- The childminder explains how she will widen children's experiences through trips to local playgroups, parks and walks in the local area.
- The childminder does not have an up-to-date knowledge of the the learning and development requirements of the early years foundation stage. For example, she is not able to identify all the areas of learning or explain how to promote these. The childminder is unable to demonstrate how she will support children to make good levels of progress across the educational programmes.
- The childminder has allowed her first-aid qualification to lapse while she is not caring for children. This is a breach of the requirements.
- The childminder talks about how she promotes children's good behaviour. She intends to use a range of appropriate techniques to help children to behave, such as praise and encouragement. The childminder explains how she encourages kindness between children and sets clear boundaries and expectations.
- The childminder recognises the importance of working in partnership with parents and other providers. She understands the importance of sharing information with parents and teachers to continue children's learning between the settings.
- The childminder understands how to provide support for children with special educational needs and/or disabilities. She has a secure knowledge of the local referral process and talks about how she can support parents through this process.

There were no children in the early years age range present when this inspection took place. The findings in this report are based on evidence gathered from discussions with those who care for the children and an inspection of the premises, equipment and relevant documentation. Where there are no early years children present, no judgement is made on the quality of the early years provision as there is no reliable evidence on which to assess its impact on children. The report states whether the provider continues to meet the requirements of registration.

What does the setting need to do to improve?

To meet the requirements of the early years foundation stage and Childcare Register the provider must:

	Due date
strengthen risk assessments for the outdoor area to ensure that it is safe and suitable for children to play and explore in	03/04/2023
ensure that the appropriate insurance always remains valid and up to date	13/03/2023
develop a thorough knowledge of the early years foundation stage, to increase understanding of how to support children's learning and development	01/04/2023
complete an approved course of training in paediatric first aid.	03/04/2023

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY433987
Local authority	Doncaster
Inspection number	10229583
Type of provision	Childminder
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register
Day care type	Childminder
Age range of children at time of inspection	0 to 0
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	0
Date of previous inspection	4 October 2016

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2011 and lives in Doncaster. She operates all year round from 7am to 6pm, Monday to Friday, except for bank holidays and family holidays.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Jennifer Cowton

Inspection activities

- This was the first routine inspection the childminder received since the COVID-19 pandemic. The inspector discussed the impact of the pandemic with the childminder and has taken that into account in their evaluation of the childminder.
- The inspector viewed the indoor and outdoor areas intended to be used by children.
- The inspector and childminder discussed the learning and development requirements within the early years foundation stage.
- The inspector held discussions with the childminder about her knowledge and understanding of the safeguarding and welfare requirements.
- The inspector looked at relevant documentation, such as suitability checks and training certificates.

We carried out this inspection under sections 49 and 50 of the Childcare Act 2006 on the quality and standards of provision that is registered on the Early Years Register. The registered person must ensure that this provision complies with the statutory framework for children's learning, development and care, known as the early years foundation stage.

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