

Reintegreat Education Solutions

Brambles Farm Community Centre, Marshall Avenue, Middlesbrough TS3 9AY

Inspection dates

27 June 2023

Overall outcome

The school is likely to meet the relevant independent school standards if the material changes relating to the school provision are implemented

Main inspection findings

Part 3. Welfare, health and safety of pupils

Paragraph 7

- There is a safeguarding and child protection policy in place which is up to date with the latest guidance from government.
- Staff receive safeguarding training at the beginning of each academic year. This is then revisited across the year through training and in staff meetings. Safeguarding is a high priority for staff.
- There are systems in place to log any safeguarding concerns. This allows the designated safeguarding lead and deputy designated safeguarding lead to spot any patterns quickly. There is ongoing work with a wide range of external agencies to support pupils where needed. Leaders are clear about when to refer pupils to social services and how they would do this across the commissioning local authorities.
- Leaders are aware of the local risks that pupils may face. The personal, social, health and economic (PSHE) education curriculum is adapted to cover these risks. Staff are vigilant for changes in pupils that may indicate there is a safeguarding concern.

Paragraph 11, 12

- There is a health and safety policy in place for the proposed school site. Work has been carried out to replace fire doors, improve signage and install a magnetic locking system. The building is well maintained.
- The proprietor is fully aware of the requirements for meeting the fire safety standard. Paperwork for safety checks such as fire drills, emergency lighting testing and call-point testing are in place. Firefighting equipment is regularly serviced. The proprietor intends that the systems at the current site will be brought across to the new site. A fire risk assessment has been carried out and staff have completed fire marshal training.

Paragraph 14, 16, 16(a), 16(b)

- Pupils will be supervised at all times throughout the day. The ratio of staff to pupils is currently at a minimum two members of staff per eight pupils. The ratio is proposed to be the same at the new site. In most cases, the ratio of adults to pupils is higher than this.
- There is an appropriate risk assessment policy in place. Leaders have ensured that a comprehensive suite of risk assessments are ready for use at the new premises. Leaders do not intend that pupils will use the park or fields that are beside the proposed school premises. They are aware that if this changes, a risk assessment is required.
- The standards in this part are likely to be met if the material change is implemented.

Part 4. Suitability of staff, supply staff, and proprietors

Paragraph 18(1), 18(2), 18(2)(a), 18(2)(b), 18(2)(c), 18(2)(c)(i), 18(2)(c)(ii), 18(2)(c)(iii), 18(2)(c)(iv), 18(2)(d), 18(2)(e), 18(2)(f), 18(3)

- All checks required to ensure staff are safe to work with pupils have been carried out. Checks on the governing body are in progress. The governing body meets after school hours and will have not have contact with pupils until all checks are complete.

Paragraph 21(1), 21(2), 21(3), 21(3)(a), 21(3)(a)(i), 21(3)(a)(ii), 21(3)(a)(iii), 21(3)(a)(iv), 21(3)(a)(v), 21(3)(a)(vi), 21(3)(a)(vii), 21(3)(a)(viii), 21(3)(b)

- All checks required to ensure staff are safe to work with pupils have been recorded on the single central record. The checks on the governing body are being added to the single central record as they are completed.
- The standards in part 4 are likely to be met if the material change is implemented.

Part 5. Premises of and accommodation at schools

Paragraph 22, 23(1), 23(1)(a), 23(1)(b), 23(1)(c), 23(2), 24(1), 24(1)(a), 24(1)(b), 24(2), 25, 26, 27, 27(a), 27(b), 28(1), 28(1)(a), 28(1)(b), 28(1)(c), 28(1)(d), 28(2), 28(2)(a), 28(2)(b)

- The proposed premises has separate toilet and washing facilities for boys and girls. The temperature of the water for handwashing does not pose a scalding risk. Toilets are in working order. There is a disabled toilet that is a standalone cubicle that can also be used.
- Leaders intend that pupils will continue to access off-site provision for physical education (PE). There are showering facilities available at the off-site location. The new premises are equipped with a boxing gym and other sports facilities. The proprietor intends to review the PE curriculum. If the decision is made to do PE onsite, the building owner has agreed to install a shower.
- There is a suitable space that contains a washing facility and is close to a toilet for the medical room. The materials for this, such as the bed and the first aid equipment, will be transferred across should the material change be granted.
- The premises are maintained in line with the health and safety policy. There is a caretaker, and cleaners are employed.

- There is adequate lighting, and acoustics are appropriate in the proposed classrooms and social areas. External lighting is in place and working.

Paragraph 29(1), 29(1)(a), 29(1)(b)

- The proposed school building is a former community centre. When it is not being used as a school, certain parts of it will be used by the community for evening sports classes in boxing and judo.
- The building is situated on the edge of a park. There is a sectioned off area around the building, which is secure, for pupils to use to socialise.
- PE will take place at an offsite facility. Should this change, there is ample outside space that pupils can use for PE.
- The standards in this part are likely to be met if the material changed is granted.

Part 6. Provision of information

Paragraph 32(1), 32(1)(a)

- The safeguarding policy is available on the school's website and a paper copy is available to parents and carers on request.
- These standards are likely to be met if the material change is granted.

Part 8. Quality of leadership in and management of schools

Paragraph 34(1), 34(1)(a), 34(1)(b), 34(1)(c)

- Leaders have a strong knowledge of the independent school standards. They have the skills to ensure that the independent school standards will be met consistently. They are well organised and record-keeping is robust.
- Leaders have in place a comprehensive PSHE programme and through this and the work that staff do to safeguard pupils, pupils' well-being is a priority. Leaders are passionate about helping pupils to turn their lives around.
- Leaders demonstrated compliance with the standards in scope for this inspection at their current site and the proposed site.
- The standards in this part are likely to be met if the material change is granted.

Compliance with regulatory requirements

The school is likely to meet the requirements of the schedule to the Education (Independent School Standards) Regulations 2014 ('the independent school standards') and associated requirements that are relevant to the material change.

School details

Unique reference number	149383
DfE registration number	806/6006
Inspection number	10284323

This inspection was carried out under section 162(4) of the Education Act 2002, the purpose of which is to advise the Secretary of State for Education about the school's likely compliance with the independent school standards relevant to the material change that the school has applied to make.

Type of school	Other independent school
School status	Independent school
Proprietor	Reintegreat Education Solutions Ltd
Chair	Nicholas Reed
Headteacher	Alison Aspery
Annual fees (day pupils)	£23,600
Telephone number	07741 269016
Website	https://www.reintegreat.org.uk/
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Date of previous standard inspection	Not previously inspected

Pupils

	School's current position	School's proposal	Inspector's recommendation
Age range of pupils	11 to 16	11 to 16	11 to 16
Number of pupils on the school roll	Up to 20	Up to 35	Up to 35

Pupils

	School's current position	School's proposal
Gender of pupils	Mixed	Mixed
Number of full-time pupils of compulsory school age	Up to 17	Up to 35
Number of part-time pupils	Up to 10	Up to 35
Number of pupils with special educational needs and/or disabilities	16	Up to 35
Of which, number of pupils with an education, health and care plan	4	Up to 10
Of which, number of pupils paid for by a local authority with an education, health and care plan	3	Up to 10

Staff

	School's current position	School's proposal
Number of full-time equivalent teaching staff	9	11
Number of part-time teaching staff	0	0

Information about this school

- The school has not had a standard inspection. The previous inspection was a pre-registration inspection. This took place in September 2022. The school was deemed likely to meet the independent school standards and opened on 17th November 2022.
- This is the first material change inspection that the Department for Education has commissioned.
- The school does not use any providers of alternative education.
- The school currently operates from Bramble Farm Community Centre in Middlesbrough. It is proposed to move to operate from Pallister Park Community Centre in Middlesbrough.

- Pupils at the school are pupils who are at risk of permanent exclusion or those who have been permanently excluded from mainstream education.
- The school is currently registered for 20 pupils. It does not have more than 20 pupils in school at any one time. The pupil cohort consists of some pupils who are on roll here and some who are dual registered here and at a mainstream school. These pupils attend for part of the week.

Information about this inspection

- This inspection was a material change inspection to consider a change of premises and an increase in pupil numbers from 20 to 35 pupils.
- The school plans to continue to admit pupils with cognitive learning needs, behavioural, emotional and social difficulties and social development needs. Some pupils have education, health and care plans.
- The inspector met with the proprietor and the headteacher. She had a tour of the new premises and visited the current premises that the school is operating from. She observed pupils with staff in lessons and during social times at the school.
- The inspector reviewed policies and documents associated with the material change application. These included the safeguarding and child protection policy, fire safety documentation, health and safety documentation and risk assessments.

Inspection team

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