

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.

On 28 February 2024, the provider notified us that two children entered an unsecure part of the premises and was out of sight and hearing of staff. The notification means that the provider met their legal responsibility as set out in the Statutory framework for the early years foundation stage to notify Ofsted of any significant event which is likely to affect the suitability of the early years provider to look after children.

On 23 March 2024, we carried out a regulatory telephone call. We found the provider was not meeting some of the requirements and had taken immediate action to put this right. The provider has conducted a full investigation into the incident and has taken disciplinary action. All staff have attended meetings to ensure that they understand their responsibility to deploy themselves effectively so that children are within sight or sound and adequately supervised. The provider has reviewed their risk assessments and as a result they have made changes to the routines of the setting. Staff and parents are no longer able to cut through the building to access the different childcare rooms, they now must go out and back in again. Parents have been informed of this new procedure. This further ensures the safety of the premises. The provider will be able to give parents further information about this.

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.