

## **Compliance action taken for childcare provision**

Ref: EY347405/5768324

Date: 15 July 2024

### **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](http://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 1 July 2024, the provider notified us of a significant event which is likely to affect the suitability of any person who cares for/is in regular contact with children on the premises. 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 such events.

On 11 July 2024, we carried out a regulatory telephone call. We found the provider was not meeting some of the requirements. We have issued actions for the provider to take below within the timescales set out. The provider will be able to give parents further information about this.

Actions needed by 8 August 2024:

- maintain a professional boundary in relationships with parents to ensure that they receive the right support without staff and/or parents being placed in a vulnerable position
- develop a method for staff to state a 'declaration of interest' where there are existing relationships with parents prior to their children attending to ensure there is no conflict of interest.

On 8 August 2024, the provider responded to the actions set. We found the provider has taken appropriate steps to strengthen the necessary policies and procedures and to ensure that staff understand these procedures in practice so that professional boundaries are not crossed. The provider has developed the necessary documentation and procedures for identifying and managing conflicts of interest.

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](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-provider-non-compliance-action-by-ofsted).