

Adel Beck Secure Children's Home

Registered provider: Leeds City Council

Provider address: East Moor Lane, Leeds, LS16 8EB

Assurance inspection

Inspected under the social care common inspection framework

Information about this secure children's home

This home is owned and managed by a local authority and is approved by the Secretary of State to restrict children's liberty.

The home provides care for up to 24 children aged between nine and 17 years. Care is provided for up to 14 children placed by the Youth Custody Service and 10 children under section 25 of the Children Act 1989 who are placed by local authorities.

Admission of any child under Section 25 of the Children Act 1989 who is under 13 years of age requires the approval of the Secretary of State.

The commissioning of health services in this home is the statutory responsibility of NHS England under the Health and Social Care Act 2012. Education is provided on site in dedicated facilities.

The manager registered with Ofsted in 2007.

At the time of this inspection, 21 children were living in the home.

Inspection date: 17 September 2025

Date of last inspection: 21 May 2024

Judgement at last inspection: good

Enforcement action since last inspection: none

Information about this inspection

At this inspection, the inspectors evaluated:

- the care of children
- the safety of children
- the effectiveness of leaders and managers.

Inspectors have looked closely at the experiences and progress of children, using the social care common inspection framework. This assurance inspection was carried out under the Care Standards Act 2000 to assess the effectiveness of the service, how it meets the core functions of the service as set out in legislation, and to consider how well it complies with The Children's Homes (England) Regulations 2015 and the 'Guide to the Children's Homes Regulations, including the quality standards'.

Findings from the inspection

We did not identify any serious or widespread concerns in relation to the care or protection of children at this assurance inspection.

Children said they feel happy and safe living in the home. They describe trusting relationships with staff, whom they know well and feel confident to share any concerns or worries with. This supportive environment enables children to gain a sense of belonging, express themselves and feel listened to.

Staff spoke positively about their roles and responsibilities in the home. They demonstrate a good understanding of the children in their care and have an insight into each child's needs and experiences. Staff are motivated and report feeling well supported by managers and colleagues. This positive culture enhances the quality of care and ensures children benefit from consistent, nurturing relationships with adults who know them well.

An independent advocacy service helps to ensure that children's voices are heard and acted on. Advocates engage meaningfully with children, taking time to understand their wishes, feelings and views. Outcomes for children are consistently recorded, showing how advocacy has positively influenced decisions and improved their experiences.

Children are searched appropriately and proportionately to maintain their safety and the safety of others in the home. However, managerial oversight of these practices is not always sufficiently robust. In response, senior leaders continue to review and strengthen these procedures to ensure greater accountability and consistency.

Staff demonstrate a well-considered and proportionate approach to managing adverse behaviour. The use of restraint, single separation and managing children away from their peers is clearly documented and only used when necessary to ensure the safety of children and others. There is effective managerial oversight, with incidents reviewed promptly to ensure accountability and learning. Children's views are sought and considered following any intervention.

The physical environment is clean and well maintained. Living units and bedrooms are personalised to reflect the individual preferences of children, contributing to a warm and welcoming atmosphere. The homely feel of the setting supports children's emotional well-being and sense of belonging.

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
21/05/2024	Full	Good
20/06/2023	Full	Good
27/09/2022	Full	Requires improvement to be good
06/10/2021	Interim	Sustained effectiveness

Secure children's home details

Unique reference number: SC033457

Provision sub-type: Secure Unit

Registered provider: Leeds City Council

Registered provider address: Merrion House, Merion centre, Leeds LS2 8LX

Responsible individual: Benjamin Finley

Registered manager: Francis N'Jie

Inspectors

Gary Turney, Social Care Inspector
Debbie Foster, Social Care Inspector

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