

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 19 October 2022, we received concerns that the provider was not meeting some of these requirements.

On 1 November 2022, the provider notified us of two significant incidents. 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 a significant event.

On 9 November 2022, we carried out an inspection and found the provider was not meeting some of these requirements. The overall effectiveness of the provision was judged to be inadequate. The inspection report sets out the actions the provider was required to take to meet the requirements. Following the inspection we served a welfare requirements notice. This is a legal notice that required the provider to take the actions, within the timescales set out in the inspection report. The provider will be able to give parents further information about this.

On 7 December 2022, we carried out a regulatory visit. The focus of the visit was to check whether the provider had met the safeguarding and welfare actions, raised at their last inspection. We found that provider had reviewed and improved staff deployment which helps staff to identify and manage any possible risks to children's safety. The arrangements for overseeing the provision have improved. Staff induction, training and supervision processes have been prioritised for all staff, to help them fulfil their roles and responsibilities. Staffing levels have increased. Leaders are now able to monitor staff practice and ensure that routines, such as hand washing, are consistently followed. Children can help themselves to drinking water when they choose to, this helps them to develop healthy lifestyles and supports their physical development. The provider has enhanced the key-person system. Parents and carers of young children have been reminded of the name of their child's key person. Younger children are now based with their key person for the most part of the day. Older children who attend the out-of-school provision now have a named key person, as is required. This helps to ensure that care is tailored to meet all children's individual needs and to promote consistency in working with parents.

We are satisfied with the action taken by the provider. 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.