

1183911

Registered provider: Young Foundations Limited

Monitoring visit

Inspected under the social care common inspection framework

Information about this children's home

This home is owned by a private company. It provides care for up to 12 children with learning disabilities.

At the time of this monitoring visit, five children were living at the home.

The manager registered with Ofsted in April 2025.

The provider runs an independent school from a registered building adjoining the home. The inspectors only visited the social care provision on this site.

Inspection date: 12 November 2025

This monitoring visit

This children's home was judged inadequate at the full inspection on 30 September and 1 October 2025. Inspectors found several regulatory breaches that impacted on children's health, well-being, and safety. Concerns were also raised regarding the leadership and management of the home.

In response, Ofsted issued three compliance notices under regulations 10, 12 and 13. The accommodation was restricted, so no further children were permitted to move into the home. The provider immediately implemented an action plan to address the identified shortfalls.

This visit was carried out to monitor the effectiveness of the action taken by the provider to address the steps detailed in the compliance notices to improve the experiences, progress, and safety of children.

The health needs of children have been reviewed by the manager, and action has been taken to address the identified shortfalls. Staff have completed additional training and competency assessments to enable them to meet the children's health needs. Newly implemented health plans and risk assessments are informative, routinely reviewed and updated when necessary. Staff keep abreast of the

information in these documents and demonstrate their knowledge and insight about the health needs and risks for children.

Health passports are being introduced. These documents help children and medical staff to respond effectively and sensitively during times of medical assessment and treatment. An allocated member of senior staff is directing their use.

Staff are advocating for the health needs of children and their right to appropriate medical attention and treatment. Staff have ensured that medical reviews have been carried out. When concerns have been identified, these have been addressed, and ongoing health concerns have been escalated to the relevant professionals. The management of medication has been improved to ensure that children's medication is collected in a timely manner and correctly administered to children.

The storage, administration and recording of medication have been significantly improved. There are effective systems in place to enable oversight and review, and when errors occur, prompt medical attention is sought and acted on. Medication audits are structured with clear action plans that are monitored during staff's daily checks. The room where medication is stored has been improved, and this is clean, hygienic, and fit for purpose.

Children have been supported by staff to develop their understanding of how to stay safe. Additional communication cards have been developed and introduced to help children raise any worries. A new allegation-management checklist has been introduced. This has been implemented appropriately and now includes the completion of body maps to further evidence how any injuries are identified, understood and, when necessary, investigated. Supportive, kind, and reassuring discussions are held with children following them making an allegation.

Staff provide care that supports the children's individual needs. Staff demonstrate a good understanding of the information and guidance detailed in the children's care plans and risk assessments. Staff are kind and motivated. They work in line with children's plans and are ensuring children get the right help from the right professionals. Staff spoke positively about the changes that have been made since the last inspection. They recognise how the children's documentation has been reviewed so it is accessible and supportive for them.

Staff have been supported in improving their understanding of whistle-blowing procedures. The manager has implemented additional training, spot checks, and quizzes. An assessment of staff's understanding was carried out, and any areas of weakness have been revisited by the manager. There is a focus on refreshing the knowledge and skills of staff, which is benefiting the children. Staff are positive, engaging and child focused.

The manager has ensured that staff have carried out refresher training of the provider's mandatory courses. Staff have also completed additional training modules that have been monitored closely by the manager. All staff have attended a

supportive supervision session and have taken part in recent staff meetings. Additional senior staff meetings have also been introduced.

The manager has assessed the skills and competencies of all senior staff members. This means that she is assured of their ability to carry out the tasks that are assigned to them. Senior leaders have oversight of the home, and peer reviews across the organisation are being introduced.

Existing systems to monitor and review the quality of care for children have been reviewed. New systems have been developed to assist the manager to maintain oversight of all areas of the home. The manager is developing a culture where staff recognise the need for and importance of practice reflection and review. This is supported by the introduction of dedicated time during the day when staff and managers meet to discuss any concerns and ensure children are safe.

The home is now warm and cosy. The required attention and maintenance have been carried out to raise the standards. The home is hazard-free, and changes to the layout now promote accessibility for children.

Leaders and managers have taken sufficient action to address the steps set in the compliance notices. The provider has addressed the shortfalls and is working in line with the home's action plan. Requirements made at the last inspection are outside the scope of this visit. These will be reviewed at the next inspection.

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
30/09/2025	Full	Inadequate
14/05/2024	Full	Requires improvement to be good
09/05/2023	Full	Good
21/11/2022	Full	Good

What does the children's home need to do to improve?

Statutory requirements

This section sets out the actions that the registered person(s) must take to meet the Care Standards Act 2000, The Children's Homes (England) Regulations 2015 and the 'Guide to the Children's Homes Regulations, including the quality standards.' The registered person(s) must comply within the given timescales.

Requirement	Due date
The quality and purpose of care standard is that children receive care from staff who— understand the children's home's overall aims and the outcomes it seeks to achieve for children; and use this understanding to deliver care that meets children's needs and supports them to fulfil their potential. In particular, the standard in paragraph (1) requires the registered person to— ensure that staff— protect and promote each child's welfare; treat each child with dignity and respect; ensure that the premises used for the purposes of the home are designed and furnished so as to— meet the needs of each child. (Regulation 6 (1)(a)(b) (2)(b)(ii)(iii)(c)(i)) This requirement was made at the last inspection and is restated.	15 December 2025
The children's views, wishes, and feelings standard is that children receive care from staff who— take their views, wishes and feelings into account in relation to matters affecting the children's care and welfare and their lives. In particular, the standard in paragraph (1) requires the registered person to—	15 December 2025

ensure that staff— help each child to express views, wishes and feelings; and help each child to understand how the child's views, wishes and feelings have been taken into account and give the child reasons for decisions in relation to the child. (Regulation 7 (1)(c) (2)(a)(ii)(iii)) This requirement was made at the last inspection and is restated.	
The registered person must recruit staff using recruitment procedures that are designed to ensure children's safety. The registered person may only— employ an individual to work at the children's home; if the individual satisfies the requirements in paragraph (3). The requirements are that— the individual has the appropriate experience, qualification, and skills for the work that the individual is to perform. For the purposes of paragraph (3)(b), an individual who works in the home in a care role has the appropriate qualification if, by the relevant date, the individual has attained— the Level 3 Diploma for Residential Childcare (England) ("the Level 3 Diploma"); or a qualification which the registered person considers to be equivalent to the Level 3 Diploma. The relevant date is— in the case of an individual who starts working in a care role in a home after 1st April 2014, the date which falls 2 years after the date on which the individual started working in a care role in a home. (Regulation 32 (1) (2)(a) (3)(b) (4)(a)(b) (5)(a)) This requirement was made at the last inspection and is restated.	15 December 2025

The registered person must notify HMCI and each other relevant person without delay if—

there is any other incident relating to a child which the registered person considers to be serious.
(Regulation 40 (4)(e))

This requirement was made at the last inspection and is restated.

15 December 2025

Information about this inspection

The purpose of this visit was to monitor the action taken and the progress made by the children's home since its last Ofsted inspection.

This inspection was carried out under the Care Standards Act 2000.

Children's home details

Unique reference number: 1183911

Provision sub-type: Children's home

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