

1265092

Registered provider: 4 Pure Heart Limited

Full inspection

Inspected under the social care common inspection framework

Information about this children's home

This home is privately operated. It provides care for up to 6 children, who may experience social and emotional difficulties.

The manager has been registered with Ofsted since July 2022 and holds relevant qualifications.

There were 4 children living in the home at the time of the inspection. Three of the children were spoken to about their experiences and views of living in the home.

Inspection dates: 24 and 25 February 2026

Overall experiences and progress of children and young people, taking into account	outstanding
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How well children and young people are helped and protected	outstanding
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The effectiveness of leaders and managers	outstanding
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The children's home provides highly effective services that consistently exceed the standards of good. The actions of the children's home contribute to significantly improved outcomes and positive experiences for children and young people who need help, protection and care.

Date of last inspection: 11 March 2025

Overall judgement at last inspection: outstanding

Enforcement action since last inspection: none

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
11/03/2025	Full	Outstanding
19/03/2024	Full	Good
11/10/2022	Full	Good
10/08/2021	Full	Good

Inspection judgements

Overall experiences and progress of children and young people: outstanding

Children living at the home experience consistently nurturing, highly individualised care that enables them to flourish. Children have a strong voice and are able to make decisions about their own care and help make decisions in the home. Children say they feel listened to, respected and valued; one child said, 'Any kid would be glad to live here.' Children describe staff who genuinely care for them, hold high aspirations on their behalf and are committed to helping them develop.

Children's bedrooms are thoughtfully personalised, creating a strong sense of ownership and belonging. The home provides well-designed, flexible spaces so children can choose to spend time together socially or enjoy quiet time alone. These homely and carefully considered environments contribute significantly to children's emotional security.

The progress children make is exceptional. Since moving into the home, children have advanced markedly in developing new skills, achieving academically and understanding and regulating their emotions. Strong, trusting relationships with staff are central to this progress. Children benefit from sensitive consistent care that enables them to explore their feelings, build confidence and take pride in their achievements.

Children's moves and transitions on from the home are exceptionally well planned. Staff work closely with children to develop the practical, emotional and social skills they need to feel genuinely ready for independence. Research-informed practice underpins transition planning, ensuring each child's journey into adulthood is tailored to their specific needs. The home's independent living annex provides a highly effective stepping stone, enabling children to experience increasing autonomy while knowing skilled support is available whenever needed. This thoughtful approach helps to ensure that children feel prepared and empowered about their futures.

Children play an active role in staff development. Two children recently attended staff training sessions, sharing their lived experiences and offering valuable insights that strengthened staff understanding and practice. This innovative approach has been highlighted by training providers as exemplary practice and has given children a strong sense of pride. Children feel heard, respected and integral to the home's continued improvement.

Children's health and wellbeing are promoted with rigour. Staff ensure that children access the full range of local health services advocating persistently when barriers arise. When waiting lists caused delays the registered manager sourced timely support from private practitioners so that children received the intervention they needed without delay. As a result, children's physical and emotional health has significantly improved.

Relationships with families and those who are important to the children are prioritised and celebrated. Staff will ensure that children are encouraged to maintain links with friends and

family. When needed, staff accompany children to family and friends to support these visits helping children feel safe, valued and emotionally secure. Children know that staff are committed to strengthening the relationships that matter most to them.

How well children and young people are helped and protected: outstanding

There's a strong and consistent safeguarding culture in the home and children's safety is paramount. Staff understand any risks associated with the children and these are carefully monitored. There is clear evidence that children's risk levels have significantly reduced since moving into the home. This reflects the home's highly effective proactive approach to keeping children safe.

Risk assessments are detailed and dynamic and reflect the children's evolving needs. Staff are confident and highly skilled in implementing these plans in practice ensuring that risks are consistently managed and minimised. Children benefit from regular opportunities to talk with staff about their safety both in the community and online. This includes well-planned one-to-one sessions and purposeful group discussions which help children develop insight, resilience and the skills to keep themselves safe.

Safeguarding practice is exemplary. Staff receive high-quality ongoing training and expand their knowledge through reflective supervision and team discussions. Safeguarding is understood to be everyone's responsibility and staff confidently share concerns, challenge decisions when needed and show strong professional curiosity. Information is shared swiftly and effectively with partner agencies ensuring that safeguarding plans are coordinated and robust.

Incidents within the home are extremely rare. There have been no missing from care episodes since the last inspection. This is a significant achievement and demonstrates the home's success in creating a safe nurturing environment where children feel secure, understood and supported.

Positive behaviour is consistently reinforced, and children are encouraged to explore their feelings safely. When children become upset or incidents occur staff, prioritise conversations that help children learn, reflect and build emotional regulation. Children say they feel safe living in the home and trust staff to provide guidance, reassurance and support. This strong sense of safety underpins the exceptional progress they make.

Children are encouraged to explore the community, visit friends and maintain important relationships. Staff balance freedom with vigilance ensuring that children remain safe. Children appreciate that staff check in with them and say it makes them feel cared for and valued.

The effectiveness of leaders and managers: outstanding

The home is led by an experienced, suitably qualified and highly committed registered manager. They have exceptionally high aspirations for every child and act as a strong proactive advocate for their wishes, feelings and rights. The registered manager

demonstrates unwavering ambition for children to achieve their full potential and ensures that their experiences remain at the centre of all decision-making.

The registered manager is innovative, creative and forward-thinking. They continually seek new opportunities that enrich children's lives and promote their development. Their enthusiasm for improvement has driven the development of unique, impactful projects that children thoroughly enjoy and benefit from. One notable example is the dog mentoring programme which has enabled 2 children to become accredited dog handlers. The presence of the therapy dog in the home has significantly increased children's confidence, reduced anxiety and inspired them to learn practical skills that build independence and self-esteem. This initiative exemplifies the registered manager's commitment to enhancing outcomes through imaginative and research-informed practice.

The registered manager has robust and highly effective systems to monitor children's progress, welfare and experiences. They use a wide range of quality assurance processes including external monitoring and feedback from children, staff, families and professionals to ensure continual improvement. This rigorous oversight ensures that the service delivered is consistently of the highest quality and responsive to children's evolving needs.

Staff are highly motivated and feel exceptionally well supported. They benefit from excellent training, reflective supervision and continuous professional development opportunities. Supervision sessions are purposeful and allow staff to explore children's plans, reflect on their practice and develop new strategies to enhance care.

Professionals speak very highly of the registered manager, describing them as dedicated, driven and deeply child centred. Professionals recognise the registered managers commitment to embedding children's wishes and feelings in all aspects of practice. Children themselves say they feel listened to, respected and confident sharing their views with the registered manager. Children know their opinions matter, and this strengthens their sense of belonging and security within the home.

Record keeping is exemplary. The registered manager maintains strong oversight of all documentation, ensuring that records remain up to date, detailed and reflective of children's progress and lived experiences. Regular audits take place and the registered manager provides thoughtful personalised commentary on children's daily records and plans. Children are aware that records are read and valued and this helps them feel recognised, respected and understood.

Information about this inspection

Inspectors have looked closely at the experiences and progress of children and young people, using the 'social care common inspection framework'. This 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'.

Children's home details

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Provision sub-type: Children's home

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