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All Round Care Limited

Monitoring visit

Inspected under the social care common inspection framework

Information about this children's home

The home is operated by a private company. The home may provide care and accommodation for up to two children who may have emotional and/or behavioural difficulties.

The manager registered with Ofsted in November 2019.

Inspection date: 18 March 2021

This monitoring visit

This monitoring visit took place as Ofsted has not visited since December 2019. As concerns were identified in the sister home of the company, it was important for Ofsted to ensure that these were not company-wide. This visit included a blended approach of on- and off-site activity. Children and professionals were spoken to as part of the visit.

Only one child has lived in the home for a significant period of time. He has been supported and nurtured on a one-to-two staffing ratio. Due to the progress he has made, the manager and social worker now believe he is ready to live with another child. The child told the inspector: 'Staff don't hold grudges. If I mess up, it's not held against me and we move on.'

Significant progress has been made in education. The child now attends on a full-time basis and is achieving qualifications. Staff have worked closely with the child and school to support this progress. The headteacher said: 'Staff are amazing at supporting his education. We work really hard as a team around [Name of child] together. Verbal handovers take place every day. From where he was initially, he has done so well.'

Risk management plans are detailed and child focused. Staff know the plans and work consistently to ensure that the child is kept safe. Plans are research informed

and include bespoke guidance from external specialists. Staff have received relevant training. As a result, the child feels safe and risk-taking behaviour has hugely reduced.

Staff speak positively about the child living in the home and have consistent aspirations for his future. This encouragement and belief has increased his self-confidence and his investment in his plans. A staff member said: '[Name of child] has been given the potential to shine and he will.'

Health and education plans are also detailed, holistic, and are reviewed regularly. The child has been supported to stop smoking. The manager reviews the records monthly to ensure that the plans do not drift. As a result, the child has progressed with his health and education.

The child has found the COVID-19 (coronavirus) restrictions difficult but has adhered to them. Staff have supported this with creative plans to ensure that he can still see his family. His social worker said: 'From the little boy he was to now, it's just fantastic. He goes to school every day. He feels safe and trusts staff. Staff are caring. It's not just a job to them and he knows that. They go the extra mile.'

Visits by an independent visitor take place monthly. The manager uses the recommendations in the reports to improve the home. However, reports do not consistently include the visitor's opinion of whether children are safeguarded effectively and their well-being is being promoted.

The manager has good oversight of the events in the child's life and regularly reviews the records. The review of the quality of care has not included feedback from the child, parents, or professionals. This is a missed opportunity to further improve the service provided.

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
05/12/2019	Full	Good
27/02/2019	Full	Good

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

Recommendations

- The registered person should ensure that any individual appointed to carry out visits to the home as an independent person must make a rigorous and impartial assessment of the home's arrangements for safeguarding and promoting the welfare of the children in the home's care. ('Guide to the children's homes regulations including the quality standards', page 65, paragraph 15.5)
- The registered person should actively seek independent scrutiny of the home and make best use of information from independent and internal monitoring (including under regulations 44 and 45) to ensure continuous improvement. They are responsible for proactively implementing lessons learned and sustaining good practice. Specifically, feedback should be received and reviewed as part of the review of the quality of care. ('Guide to the children's homes regulations including the quality standards', page 55, paragraph 10.24)

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: 1277049

Provision sub-type: Children's home

Responsible individual: Paul Seddon

Registered manager: Aaron Hill

Inspector

Sylvia Eboigbe, Social Care Inspector

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