

2483718

Registered provider: Josh's Place

Interim inspection

Inspected under the social care common inspection framework

Information about this children's home

The home is owned by a private company. It provides care and accommodation for up to five children and young people who have emotional and/or behavioural difficulties. The manager was registered on 8 November 2018.

Inspection date: 23 October 2019

Judgement at last inspection: good

Date of last inspection: 29 May 2019

Enforcement action since last inspection: none

This inspection

The effectiveness of the home and the progress and experiences of children and young people since the most recent full inspection

This home was judged good at the last full inspection. At the interim inspection, Ofsted judges that it has sustained effectiveness.

The children and young people develop good relationships with the staff who care for them. Staff spend time with the children and young people, taking part in a wide range of enjoyable leisure activities with them. This helps children and young people to feel safe in the home and to develop trust in the adults who care for them.

Children and young people are making progress at school. Staff support and encourage children and young people to attend school, even when there are significant barriers to attendance. When children and young people are not in full-time education, staff work hard to provide suitable alternative educational opportunities while suitable school placements are found.

The manager and staff work well with other agencies, professionals and families. The manager and staff contribute to detailed risk assessments and personalised care plans,

and share these with children, young people and their families. This multi-agency way of working ensures that all parties understand what they need to do to help children and young people to feel safe and achieve the goals as set out in their plans.

The manager and staff gather and assess information from a variety of sources, including the children and young people, before deciding whether they can effectively meet the needs of children and young people who are moving into the home. However, when it becomes clear that children and young people are not settling into the home, the manager takes swift and decisive action to ensure that children and young people do not come to harm. This ensures that all children and young people are safe, and their needs are being met.

The manager has systems in place for monitoring the effectiveness of the home. Where shortfalls in monitoring systems have been identified, the manager has challenged this quickly and effectively.

Staff continue to receive high-quality induction, supervision and appraisal. When the quality of the staff's practice has not met the required standards, this has been quickly identified and staff have left the home. Recent training for staff on therapeutic ways of supporting young people is being embedded into practice. This ensures that children and young people receive care from staff who are skilled and knowledgeable about their role.

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
29/05/2019	Full	Good

Information about this inspection

Inspectors have looked closely at the experiences and progress of children and young people. Inspectors considered the quality of work and the differences made to the lives of children and young people. They watched how professional staff work with children and young people and each other and discussed the effectiveness of help and care provided. Wherever possible, they talked to children and young people and their families. In addition, the inspectors have tried to understand what the children's home knows about how well it is performing, how well it is doing and what difference it is making for the children and young people whom it is trying to help, protect and look after.

This inspection focused on the effectiveness of the home and the progress and experiences of children and young people since the most recent full inspection.

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

Registered provider: Josh's Place

Registered provider address: Beaumont Accountancy Services, Enterprise House
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Responsible individual: David Lambert

Registered manager: Matthew Welburn

Inspector

Mark Proffitt, social care inspector

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