

2484055

Registered provider: The Place Young People's Company Limited

Monitoring visit

Inspected under the social care common inspection framework

Information about this children's home

This is a privately owned children's home that can provide care for up to four children with social, emotional and behavioural difficulties.

Inspection date: 25 January 2022

This monitoring visit

The purpose of this monitoring visit was to assess the suitability of the home to start operating again following a period of temporary closure.

This home was initially registered in August 2018. The provider paused its operations in May 2020. This was following a difficult time in this home and within the wider organisation. Staff and managers were redeployed to other homes and a significant number of staff left the organisation.

A new leadership team has taken over the organisation. They have decided, following a period of extensive refurbishment and development, to resume admitting children. The home has been renovated and refurbished to a very high standard. This will provide children with a home that they can be proud to live in and enjoy.

The manager is registered and she has considerable experience of managing children's homes. She is working towards completing the appropriate management qualification. A new staff team has been recruited. The staff are gaining experience by working in other homes within the organisation. They are also undertaking the training required to provide them with the knowledge and skills to care for children safely.

Leaders and managers have reviewed and updated the policies and procedures that guide care practice for staff and managers. The updated policies and procedures are comprehensive and detailed. Likewise, the statement of purpose provides accurate information about the aims and objectives of the home. It provides children, families

and professionals with clarity about what they can expect for children living at this home.

The manager has carried out a detailed location risk assessment, given the rural nature of the setting. This assessment will support the staff in keeping children safe in the area and will be helpful if children leave the home without permission. The manager also understands the importance of having up-to-date assessments covering all aspects of health and safety. Consequently, children and staff will be provided with a safe and secure environment.

Leaders and managers have completely overhauled this home. It is now a relaxed and comfortable setting that is prepared to provide good, safe care to children. This home is now ready to commence caring for children.

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
17/12/2019	Full	Good
17/01/2019	Full	Good

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: 2484055

Provision sub-type: Children's home

Registered provider: The Place Young People's Company Limited

Registered provider address: 2 Lymeale Court, Lyme Drive, Parklands, Stoke-on-Trent ST4 6NW

Responsible individual: Hilary Jones

Registered manager: Tracy Green

Inspector

Phillip Morris, Social Care Inspector

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