

2563544

Registered provider: Meadows Care Limited

Interim inspection

Inspected under the social care common inspection framework

Information about this children's home

This home is privately owned and run and is registered to provide care for up to three children.

The manager was registered with Ofsted in February 2020.

Inspection date: 9 November 2021

Date of last inspection: 18 May 2021

Judgement at last inspection: requires improvement to be good

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 requires improvement to be good at the last full inspection. At this interim inspection, Ofsted judged that it has improved effectiveness.

Since the last inspection, the home has operated as a solo placement for one child. She has made considerable progress, with improved outcomes in all areas, and there has been a significant reduction in risk-taking behaviours.

Through the dedicated care she receives from staff, the child has developed emotional resilience and is making positive choices. Staff offer advice and guidance, that the child is open to receiving, and staff support her to develop alternative strategies to manage her emotions. The child also benefits from the regular therapy sessions that are offered by the home's psychologist. The child said of her progress, 'I could not have done it without the staff and therapy.'

The child is investing in her placement and, as a result, there has been a significant reduction in incidents of going missing from home, drug and alcohol misuse and incidents within the home. She attends school regularly and has recently had her court-imposed restrictions removed.

Since the last inspection, there have not been any complaints, allegations made or need to physically hold the child. The child said that she feels safe at the home.

The manager has met all but one of the requirements made. As a result, management oversight is stronger, and staff receive regular, reflective and child-focused supervision. Staff also benefit from monthly team meetings and monthly discussions with the home's therapist. These offer staff opportunities to discuss and improve the support they offer the child.

Staff have benefited from a number of training sessions. These have focused on the needs of the child and effective team working.

Staff listen to the child and she is fully encouraged to take ownership of her goals. She enjoys a wide range of fun activities that also support the positive relationships she has with the staff.

As the home has not admitted or discharged any children since the last inspection, one requirement has been restated.

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
18/05/2021	Full	Requires improvement to be 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, 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 care planning standard is that children— receive effectively planned care in or through the children's home; and have a positive experience of arriving at or moving on from the home. (Regulation 14 (1)(a)(b))	1 April 2022

Information about this inspection

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.

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

Unique reference number: 2563544

Provision sub-type: Children's home

Registered provider: Meadows Care Limited

Registered provider address: Egerton House, Wardle Road, Rochdale, Lancashire
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Responsible individual: Karen Brandon

Registered manager: Marc Killen

Inspector

Pauline Yates, Social Care Inspector

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