

2571480

PSS Care Group Limited

Monitoring visit

Inspected under the social care common inspection framework

Information about this children's home

This home is registered to provide care for up to five children. The organisation's statement of purpose says that the home aims to provide children with a safe, stable home. The home is owned by a private organisation.

The registered manager resigned in June 2020.

Inspection date: 10 February 2021

This monitoring visit

The home registered in January 2020 and has not been inspected since registration. Five children have moved into the home since registration. Since then, all the children have moved on. At the time of the visit, there were no children living at the home.

Ofsted conducted a monitoring visit in January 2021 following significant concerns raised by professionals and information received in safeguarding notifications. Ofsted served three compliance notices and a notice restricting accommodation as a result of the visit findings.

This visit was undertaken to monitor the provider's adherence to the restriction of accommodation. There have been no children admitted to the home.

The scope of the visit also included reviewing the provider's progress in meeting the steps set out in the compliance notice in relation to fire safety.

The provider has updated the fire risk assessment to provide revised information in relation to the fire exits and fire risks. There is a further accessible fire exit, which is located at the rear of the building. The fire risk assessment now provides accurate information on fire prevention.

The provider commissioned an independent professional to undertake a fire risk assessment report for the home. The report identifies actions that can be easily resolved by the home. This provides the home with further assurances in regard to fire protection.

The provider has booked fire training for the staff. Although this had not taken place at the time of the visit, it is due to be delivered on 12 February 2021. The completion of this training will be monitored at the next visit.

The provider has introduced a new waking-night record. The staff on duty at night record their checks during the night. These checks include regular monitoring of children's movements. This system has been tested during a spot check and found to be working well. The risks of fire have been reduced.

The provider has made sufficient progress to secure the physical safety of the building and reduce the risk of fire.

The two remaining compliance notices and the restriction of accommodation will be monitored at the next visit.

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
Not previously inspected		

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 protection of children standard is that children are protected from harm and enabled to keep themselves safe. In particular, the standard in paragraph (1) requires the registered person to ensure— that staff— assess whether each child is at risk of harm, taking into account information in the child's relevant plans, and, if necessary, make arrangements to reduce the risk of any harm to the child; help each child to understand how to keep safe; have the skills to identify and act upon signs that a child is at risk of harm; manage relationships between children to prevent them from harming each other; understand the roles and responsibilities in relation to protecting children that are assigned to them by the registered person; take effective action whenever there is a serious concern about a child's welfare; and are familiar with, and act in accordance with, the home's child protection policies; that the home's day-to-day care is arranged and delivered so as to keep each child safe and to protect each child effectively from harm; that the premises used for the purposes of the home are located so that children are effectively safeguarded;	8 March 2021

that the premises used for the purposes of the home are designed, furnished and maintained so as to protect each child from avoidable hazards to the child's health. (Regulation 12 (1) (2)(a)(i)(ii)(iii)(iv)(v)(vi)(vii)(b)(c)(d))	
*The leadership and management standard is that the registered person enables, inspires and leads a culture in relation to the children's home that— helps children aspire to fulfil their potential; and promotes their welfare. In particular, the standard in paragraph (1) requires the registered person to— lead and manage the home in a way that is consistent with the approach and ethos, and delivers the outcomes, set out in the home's statement of purpose; ensure that staff work as a team where appropriate; ensure that staff have the experience, qualifications and skills to meet the needs of each child; ensure that the home's workforce provides continuity of care to each child; understand the impact that the quality of care provided in the home is having on the progress and experiences of each child and use this understanding to inform the development of the quality of care provided in the home; and use monitoring and review systems to make continuous improvements in the quality of care provided in the home. (Regulation 13 (1)(a)(b) (2)(a)(b)(c)(e)(f)(h))	8 March 2021
The independent person must provide a copy of the independent person's report to— HMCI. (Regulation 44 (7)(a))	8 March 2021

*These requirements are subject to a compliance notice.

Information about this inspection

The purpose of this visit was to monitor the provider's adherence with the restriction of accommodation and the progress made in meeting the steps set out in one compliance notice.

This inspection was carried out under the Care Standards Act 2000.

Children's home details

Unique reference number: 2571480

Provision sub-type: Children's home

Registered provider: PSS Care Group Limited

Registered provider address: 284 Chase Road, London N14 6HF

Responsible individual: Frederik Booysen

Registered manager: Post vacant

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