

2578677

SW Education & Care

Monitoring visit

Inspected under the social care common inspection framework

Information about this children's home

The home is operated by a private provider of social care and was registered in March 2020.

The home provides care for up to three children and young people. The provider states in its statement of purpose that it provides care for children with social and emotional difficulties.

There is a registered manager in post.

Inspection date: 17 February 2021

This monitoring visit

This monitoring visit was undertaken as the home has not been inspected since it was registered in March 2020. There is currently one young person living in the home.

The visit included a visit by the inspector to the home to meet the young person. During the visit, the inspector was able to meet and talk with two staff and the registered manager. In addition, the inspector reviewed records remotely and sought feedback from the local authority social worker via email.

Since the home was registered, two young people have lived here. Comprehensive and detailed records capture the progress young people make. One social worker was extremely positive about the care and support that the current young person receives, saying: 'The commitment they have shown my young person has been second to none.'

The manager and staff team have at times been challenged by the behaviours of the young people. That said, the staff team has remained child-focused in its approach

and staff have demonstrated resilience. As a result, there has been a reduction of incidents when the young person places themselves at risk.

The manager has demonstrated strong leadership and management of the home over a challenging period. These challenges include supporting the staff to keep young people with complex needs safe during the pandemic and building and managing a relatively new staff team.

Staff receive regular supervision and are provided with training opportunities that are specific to the needs of the young person. The young person takes part in some of the training and in doing so is empowered to better manage their feelings and behaviours.

There is effective leadership by the manager, and he speaks passionately about capturing the voice of the young person. Several monitoring tools, including monthly independent visitor reports, are used to inform and develop the home. They are detailed and comprehensive.

Following this visit, no recommendations or requirements were made.

Recent inspection history

Not previously inspected.

Information about this inspection

The purpose of this visit was to monitor the performance of the home and the progress made since registration.

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

Children's home details

Unique reference number: 2578677

Provision sub-type: Children's home

Registered provider: SW Education & Care

Registered provider address: Tir Na N'Og, Fitzhead, Taunton, Somerset TA4 3LA

Responsible individual: Robert Simms

Registered manager: Philip Sheppard

Inspector

Linda Bond, Social Care Inspector

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