

2582246

Registered provider: Aspris Care North West Limited

Assurance inspection

Inspected under the social care common inspection framework

Information about this children's home

The home is owned by a private provider and is registered to care for up to two children who experience social and emotional difficulties.

The manager has been registered with Ofsted since March 2020.

There was one child living in the home at the time of the inspection. During the inspection, the child spoke to the inspector.

Inspection date: 19 March 2026

Date of last inspection: 11 November 2025

Judgement at last inspection: requires improvement to be good

Enforcement action since last inspection: none

Information about this inspection

At this inspection, the inspector evaluated:

- the care of children
- the safety of children
- the effectiveness of leaders and managers.

Inspectors have looked closely at the experiences and progress of children, using the social care common inspection framework. This assurance 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'.

Findings from the inspection

Since the last inspection one child has moved into the home. The move was planned and managed in a sensitive way. The manager fully considered the needs of the child before they moved in. This led to the child settling in and forming positive relationships with staff.

The manager works alongside other professionals to secure a suitable education provision. The child is not currently accessing mainstream education. However, the provider has ensured that the child has access to a tutor. Staff provide the child with learning opportunities. The child enjoys activities such as horse-riding and has recently joined a local rugby team.

Staff meet the child's health needs. The child has not received all relevant immunisations. The child's emotional health and well-being is prioritised, and they are working with the provider's therapy team. When the child is in low mood staff provide nurture and reassurance. However, there has been one occasion when regular welfare checks were not completed after the child expressed a low mood.

Staff have been given clear guidance by the manager on how to manage incidents and missing-from-home episodes. There have been many incidents both in the home and the community. When these happen staff usually respond in-line with their training and manage to diffuse situations effectively. When the child is missing-from-home staff search for them and usually bring them home quickly.

There is a stable staff team, this ensures consistency for the child. The manager has ensured that staff have the skills and experience to care for the child. Staff say they feel supported by the manager and wider organisation.

The manager has systems in place to monitor the standard of care provided. She evaluates incidents and completes reflective discussions with both staff and the child so that learning can be taken. However, not all staff review incidents thoroughly or in a timely manner. The manager ensures that all serious incidents are notified to the regulator, this ensures transparency and oversight of the home.

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
11/11/2025	Full	Requires improvement to be good
02/01/2025	Full	Good
24/07/2023	Full	Good
25/10/2022	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, The 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; understand the roles and responsibilities in relation to protecting children that are assigned to them by the registered person; 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. (Regulation 12 (1) (2)(i)(v)(b)) In particular, the registered person must ensure that regular welfare checks are completed for children when the level of risk for children is high.	17 April 2026
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—	17 April 2026

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;

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.

(Regulation 13 (1)(a)(b) (2)(a)(f))

The registered person must ensure that there is effective arrangements for management oversight when the registered manager is absent from the home.

Children's home details

Unique reference number: 2582246

Provision sub-type: Children's home

Registered provider: Aspris Care North West Limited

Registered provider address: 2 Barton Close, Grove Park, Enderby, Leicester, LE19 1SJ

Responsible individual: Penelope Rafferty

Registered manager: Susan Towers

Inspector

Eve Ostridge, Social Care Inspector

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