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Registered provider: Solace Care 7kings Ltd

Full inspection

Inspected under the social care common inspection framework

Information about this children's home

This home registered with Ofsted in October 2020 and is privately run. It provides care for up to three children with emotional and social difficulties.

One child was living in the home at the time of this inspection.

The manager registered with Ofsted in March 2023 and is suitably qualified.

Inspection dates: 17 and 18 July 2024

Overall experiences and progress of children and young people, taking into account	good
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How well children and young people are helped and protected	good
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The effectiveness of leaders and managers	good
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The children's home provides effective services that meet the requirements for good.

Date of last inspection: 26 September 2023

Overall judgement at last inspection: good

Enforcement action since last inspection: none

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
26/09/2023	Full	Good
27/09/2022	Full	Requires improvement to be good
28/04/2021	Full	Good

Inspection judgements

Overall experiences and progress of children and young people: good

The child living at the home is making good progress. Staff ensure that the child has an individualised care plan that reflects their needs well.

The child is registered with universal health services. They are supported and encouraged to talk about their health needs and the impact of their lifestyle choices. Key-work sessions focus on relevant issues, such as mental health and the risks around drinking alcohol. This helps the child to understand the importance of good healthcare and lifestyle choices.

The child has good relationships with staff. They can identify a safe adult who they trust and can talk to.

The child has access to a wide range of activities. They are able to choose the activities that they want to do, in discussions at house meetings and key-work sessions.

The child is supported to develop their life skills. They are following a weekly independence plan which includes participating in cooking lessons, cleaning their bedroom, and learning how to budget.

Staff promote the child's learning. The child has a place at the local college and continues to be supported to complete education in the home.

How well children and young people are helped and protected: good.

The registered manager addresses issues with social workers and other professionals when necessary. The registered manager regularly requests multi-agency meetings that assess how to manage risks to the child. This coordinated approach helps to keep the child safe.

Staff's response to risk is reflective and proactive. Staff know the child well and understand their individual risks. Risk is identified and managed by using a range of approaches, including missing person grab packs, individual risk assessments and behaviour support plans.

Staff hold sessions with the child that cover a range of safeguarding topics. For example, staff talk to the child about the risks of going missing from home, sexual exploitation, self-harm, and criminal activity.

When the child goes missing from home, staff coordinate a balanced multi-agency approach to manage the situation. Reports and plans are detailed, and include key information. When the child returns home, staff ensure that a return home interview is carried out. This has helped to reduce the number of times the child has gone missing.

There is a system in place for behaviour management, which is reviewed and assessed alongside other documents to manage risk. The child is given an opportunity to discuss incidents to help them to understand how their emotions can impact on their behaviour. This supports the child's emotional well-being.

The effectiveness of leaders and managers: good

Leadership and management of this home are strong. The registered manager knows the home well and has good monitoring systems in place. Staff morale is good, and staff feel supported in their roles.

Staff receive regular supervision. Supervision is reflective and key learning is addressed and shared, as well as identifying targets for staff. Inductions for new starters are completed in the time frame. The induction programme is robust and ensures that staff have the relevant training to support the child. Staff appraisals are completed annually and identify successes as well as areas for development.

Leaders use feedback to develop and improve the home. Leaders have created a range of excellent monitoring, progress and reflective learning documents that will support the home to understand the impact of the care provided to children.

Staff training supports their professional development and understanding of working with children. This is monitored by the manager to ensure staff have relevant training which is up to date. Specific specialised training is identified so that staff have the knowledge to support the complex needs of children.

No requirements or recommendations were made following this inspection.

Information about this 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: 2595182

Provision sub-type: Children's home

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Registered manager: Isaac Osei

Inspector

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