

2638239

Registered provider: Abundantia Care Limited

Assurance inspection

Inspected under the social care common inspection framework

Information about this children's home

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

At the time of this inspection, one child was living at the home. The child chose not to speak with the inspector.

The manager registered with Ofsted in September 2024.

Inspection date: 7 October 2025

Date of last inspection: 6 May 2025

Judgement at last inspection: 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

We did not identify any serious or widespread concerns in relation to the care or protection of children at this assurance inspection.

The registered manager and staff know the child well and consistently provide care and support without conditions, regardless of the circumstances. They are attentive to the child's emotional needs; they recognise when the child is upset and respond appropriately. This approach helps the child feel valued, cared for and supported. Staff talk to the child about important issues and offer advice to minimise risks. These discussions are regular and offer guidance to the child. This helps the child develop trusting relationships with staff.

Risk assessments are updated regularly and provide clear direction on what staff should do in given situations to minimise risks. Staff prioritise the child's safety and follow these plans.

When the child goes missing from home, staff respond immediately. Staff search known locations and continue to communicate with the child until they are found. Staff speak to the child about the risks associated with them leaving the home. Recordings do not demonstrate that following all missing-from-home episodes, an independent return home interview is offered to the child.

Plans for the child's education are not robust, which means that the child is not encouraged to prioritise learning or develop new social skills. There is limited evidence of staff helping the child acquire new skills or establish a routine that would promote learning.

Staff are offered regular supervision and training opportunities. Bespoke training helps the staff provide tailored care for the child. Not all staff have had the opportunity to complete their childcare diploma within the agreed time frame.

The registered manager reviews key documents and communicates updates regarding incidents to relevant professionals and, where appropriate, the regulator. An independent visitor has been appointed, but visits have not taken place in line with statutory guidance. The registered manager's oversight of these reports has not been sufficiently robust.

The registered manager has responded to two of the recommendations raised at the last inspection. There is one recommendation that has not been actioned. This has been restated.

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
06/05/2025	Full	Good
30/07/2024	Full	Good
19/07/2023	Full	Outstanding
22/11/2022	Full	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 education standard is that children make measurable progress towards achieving their educational potential and are helped to do so. In particular, the standard in paragraph (1) requires the registered person to ensure— that staff— help each child to achieve the child's education and training targets, as recorded in the child's relevant plans; support each child's learning and development, including helping the child to develop independent study skills and, where appropriate, helping the child to complete independent study; help each child to understand the importance and value of education, learning, training and employment; help a child who is excluded from school, or who is of compulsory school age but not attending school, to access educational and training support throughout the period of exclusion or non-attendance and to return to school as soon as possible; help each child to attend education or training in accordance with the expectations in the child's relevant plans. (Regulation 8 (1) (2)(a)(i)(ii)(iv)(viii)(x))	28 November 2025
The registered person must ensure that an independent person visits the children's home at least once each month. When the independent person is carrying out a visit, the registered person must help the independent person—	19 December 2025

to inspect the premises of the home and such of the home's records (except for a child's case records, unless the child and the child's placing authority consent) as the independent person requires. (Regulation 44 (1) (2)(b))	
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— ensure that staff have the experience, qualifications and skills to meet the needs of each child. (Regulation 13 (1)(a)(b) (2)(c))	2 January 2026

Recommendations

- The registered person should maintain good employment practice. They should ensure that recruitment, supervision and performance management of staff safeguard children and minimise potential risks to them. ('Guide to the Children's Homes Regulations, including the quality standards', page 61, paragraph 13.1)
- The registered person should ensure that when a child returns after being missing from care or away from the home without permission, the responsible local authority provides an opportunity for the child to have an independent return home interview. The registered person should consider information provided by such interviews when assessing risks and putting arrangements in place to protect each child. ('Guide to the Children's Home Regulations, including the quality standards', page 45, paragraph 9.30)

Children's home details

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Provision sub-type: Children's home

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Registered manager: Terri Beardsley

Inspector

Lisa Richards, Social Care Inspector

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