

2640082

Flying Spur Limited

Monitoring visit

Information about this children's home

This home provides care for up to three children with social and emotional needs and learning disabilities. It is operated by a private provider. At the time of this visit, two children were living at the home.

The manager registered with Ofsted in May 2021.

Inspection date: 25 September 2024

This monitoring visit

This visit took place following concerns raised to Ofsted about children's safety.

Two children were present during the visit. The inspector spoke with one child. Neither the registered manager or responsible individual were present during the visit.

This visit was undertaken to address specific concerns received by Ofsted.

The registered manager is absent from the home. There is no clear management oversight. The staff are hardworking, committed to the children and compassionate in the care that they provide. However, there is a lack of managerial oversight and support at a particularly unstable time.

Extremely concerning self-harmful behaviours have led to children being hospitalised and to callouts to the ambulance service. Staff are managing ligature incidents, despite some of these staff not being provided with anti-ligature training. Without a nominated manager in the absence of the registered manager, it is unclear how staff are being supported to manage the emotions that arise for them when constantly dealing with incidents that could result in severe harm to a child.

During the visit, assurance was gained that the placing local authority for one child would move the child from the home. This will reduce the risks for the other child

and enable the child who is moving to be provided with the specialist care that they need.

Ofsted will continue to monitor the home.

The requirement raised at the last inspection, in respect of professional development, was outside the scope of this visit. It will be reviewed at the next inspection.

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
03/05/2023	Full	Good
01/02/2023	Full	Inadequate
24/01/2022	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 with the given timescales.

Requirement	Due date
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 have the experience, qualifications and skills to meet the needs of each child. (Regulation 13 (1)(a)(b) (2)(a)(c)) In particular, ensure that there are clear, effective and suitable management arrangements in place in the absence of the registered manager so that staff are supported, supervised and guided, and debriefed following incidents, and are equipped with the training that they need to provide safe and effective care.	7 October 2024
The registered person must ensure that all employees—undertake appropriate continuing professional development. (Regulation 33 (4)(a)) In particular, ensure that staff access physical intervention training.	7 October 2024

Information about this inspection

The purpose of this visit was to ensure the safety of children following concerns raised to Ofsted.

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

Children's home details

Unique reference number: 2640082

Provision sub-type: Children's home

Registered provider: Flying Spur Limited

Responsible individual: Clifford Rapley

Registered manager: Peter Tuckfield

Inspector

Louisa Bayley, Social Care Inspector

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