

2641767

Real Care Support Limited

Monitoring visit

Information about this children's home

This home is operated by a private provider. The home provides care for up to five children who may have social or emotional needs.

At the time of this inspection, the registration of the home was suspended. Therefore, there were no children living there.

A manager is in place but is not yet registered with Ofsted.

Inspection date: 14 July 2022

This monitoring visit

This children's home was judged inadequate at the full inspection on 26 April 2022. Following the full inspection, a decision was made to issue a notice of suspension due to serious safeguarding concerns. The notice was issued on 27 April 2022.

A further monitoring visit was carried out on 7 June 2022. It was identified that the provider had not made sufficient progress, as the arrangements for the management of the home were not sufficient. Due to these findings, the notice of suspension remained in place.

During this monitoring visit, the inspector found that the home has complied with the conditions of the suspension notice. The suspension notice expires on 19 July 2022, and following improvements made by the provider, Ofsted will not seek to extend it.

A new manager has been appointed and is in the process of applying to register with Ofsted.

Improvements in relation to staff training and supervision, which were noted at the last visit, have been maintained. All staff have completed their mandatory training programmes and a variety of additional learning that is relevant to their roles.

Staff have continued to benefit from regular one-to-one meetings with managers, as well as group supervision and team meetings. Staff have been encouraged to reflect on the recent challenges, share concerns and share any ideas that they have to support improvements.

The home is maintained to a good standard and there are appropriate health and safety processes in place.

Some minor shortfalls in relation to staff recruitment records were identified at the visit. Positively, the manager was aware of the shortfalls and was taking steps to address them.

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
26/04/2022	Full	Inadequate
01/02/2022	Full	Inadequate

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, 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 registered person must recruit staff using recruitment procedures that are designed to ensure children's safety. The registered person may only— employ an individual to work at the children's home; or if an individual is employed by a person other than the registered person to work at the home in a position in which the individual may have regular contact with children, allow that individual to work at the home, if the individual satisfies the requirements in paragraph (3). The requirements are that— the individual is of integrity and good character; the individual has the appropriate experience, qualification and skills for the work that the individual is to perform; the individual is mentally and physically fit for the purposes of the work that the individual is to perform; and full and satisfactory information is available in relation to the individual in respect of each of the matters in Schedule 2. (Regulation 31 (1) (2)(a)(b) (3)(a)(b)(c)(d))	29 July 2022

Information about this inspection

The purpose of this visit was to monitor the action taken and the progress made by the children's home since its last Ofsted inspection.

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

Children's home details

Unique reference number: 2641767

Provision sub-type: Children's home

Registered provider: Real Care Support Limited

Registered provider address: 1st Floor, West Wing, Derby House, Lytham Road, Fulwood, Preston, Lancashire PR2 8JE

Responsible individual: Peter Barron

Registered manager: Post vacant

Inspector

Marie Cordingley, Social Care Inspector

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