

2649767

Registered provider: SV Care Services Limited

Full inspection

Inspected under the social care common inspection framework

Information about this children's home

This privately run children's home provides care for up to three children with social and emotional difficulties.

The home registered with Ofsted in January 2022. The qualified manager registered with Ofsted in August 2025.

At the time of this inspection, there were three children living at the home.

Inspection dates: 2 and 3 December 2025

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: 10 September 2024

Overall judgement at last inspection: good

Enforcement action since last inspection: none

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
10/09/2024	Full	Good
06/02/2024	Full	Good
28/09/2022	Full	Good

Inspection judgements

Overall experiences and progress of children and young people: good

Children are settled, happy and make good progress. Two children have been living at the home for over a year and one child for nearly two years, demonstrating the stability the home provides. Children know the staff well and confide in them about their worries. Together, they think about how to tackle any difficulties that may arise.

The consistency of care offered by staff and the embedding of a new therapeutic model is having a positive impact. There has been a marked reduction in incidents of concern, and children's emotional regulation and resilience have improved. Staff ensure that children's health needs are met and, when needed, advocate for children to access specialist services.

Education is prioritised by staff who advocate effectively to ensure that each child accesses learning. As a result, one child who previously experienced significant disruption to their education is now enrolled in sixth form and is undertaking three A levels. Another child is engaging positively in their college programme. Staff are actively pursuing an appropriate school placement for a third child, who is currently receiving tuition in the home.

Children enjoy positive experiences, including holidays abroad, outings in the local community and celebratory meals out for birthdays. One child has recently started to attend the Army Cadets. Children have formed meaningful friendships with children who live in another of the provider's homes.

Staff value children's feedback. Children's views influence decision-making in their home and inform their future plans. Children are well prepared for adulthood. Independence work is well established, with children supported in maintaining routines and budgeting.

Staff ensure that children who live at a distance from their home area remain well connected with their family, friends and social workers. One child visits family overseas and spoke proudly of their confidence in travelling independently.

Over the past year, several updates have been made to the property, including building work in the children's bedrooms. A new kitchen is being installed, which has resulted in some temporary disruption. The children are pleased with the improvements and have been involved in aspects of the design decisions. Preparation for Christmas is underway, with a beautifully decorated tree in place and children compiling their Christmas lists.

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

Staff have a good understanding of risks for children and respond promptly and effectively to safeguarding concerns. Staff are well trained and supported. They express

confidence in managing the children's needs and challenges. Staff retention is strong, and this stability contributes significantly to the children's progress and sense of safety.

Staff are professionally curious and create a culture of openness. Emerging concerns for children are identified and acted on at the earliest opportunity.

Staff implement predictable boundaries for children. Staff work hard to try to support children with consistency and by using therapeutic insight. The positive relationships children have with staff contribute to their well-being and feelings of security.

Staff are confident and equipped to manage incidents of self-harm. They have good guidance as children's risk assessments are robust and regularly reviewed by leaders and managers. Multi-agency working and careful consideration of children's histories and vulnerabilities is evident.

Staff are proactive and coordinated in their responses to incidents where children are missing from home. They follow clear procedures, maintain communication with children when possible, and ensure that relevant agencies and family members are notified promptly. Children's sense of safety has improved and the frequency of incidents where children are missing from home has reduced.

The effectiveness of leaders and managers: good

Leadership and management arrangements have strengthened significantly since the last inspection. The registered manager provides clear, stable leadership. Together with the deputy manager and senior support workers, they create a supportive management presence.

Regular, reflective discussions during team meetings and supervision ensure that staff have consistent practice and a shared understanding of how to care for children. Leaders and managers address concerns swiftly and appropriately, using informal discussions, supervision or, when required, a formal disciplinary process.

Staff forge positive relationships with external professionals. Children's social workers provide consistently good feedback about the staff's communication, care planning and support for children.

The aspirational and child-focused leadership team has embedded a therapeutic model of care effectively. The praise and encouragement children receive contribute positively to their individual progress. Managers and staff are very proud of the children's success.

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: 2649767

Provision sub-type: Children's home

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