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Registered provider: Lasting Threads Care Limited

Assurance inspection

Inspected under the social care common inspection framework

Information about this children's home

The home is privately owned and provides care for up to 4 children who may experience social and emotional difficulties and/or have learning difficulties.

At the time of this inspection, 4 children were living at the home.

The manager registered with Ofsted in October 2025.

Inspection date: 10 February 2026

Date of last inspection: 30 September 2025

Judgement at last inspection: requires improvement to be 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.

The inspector has 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'.

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.

Children receive care from staff who know them well and understand their individual needs, vulnerabilities and strengths. Staff speak confidently about each child's routines and preferences, as well as the strategies that help them make progress. Key-work records demonstrate purposeful discussions on a range of topics, including education, independence, online safety, healthy lifestyles and behaviour. These sessions are reflective, and where required, take a restorative approach.

Children benefit from clear routines and boundaries that support their welfare. Morning routines, expectations around education attendance and structured evening arrangements are consistently implemented. Staff provide praise and incentives to reinforce children's positive behaviours and efforts. This helps children build self-esteem and develop a sense of achievement.

Children are encouraged to develop independence skills in line with their age and stage of development. This includes budgeting, travel training, employment responsibilities and preparations for moving on. One child spoke positively about their experience at the home, describing trusting relationships with staff and feeling supported during their transition. This reflects the strength of relationships and the child-centred culture in the home.

Children are safe, and no serious or widespread concerns were identified during this inspection. Staff demonstrate a clear understanding of safeguarding procedures and their individual roles and responsibilities in protecting children. They can describe the actions they would take should a child go missing from home, including carrying out immediate area searches, contacting the police and relevant professionals and undertaking return home discussions and reflective key-work sessions with the child.

Since the last full inspection, one child has been missing on two occasions. This represents a significant reduction in missing-from-home episodes. Records show that staff take appropriate and timely action, demonstrating professional curiosity and implementing effective disruption activity. Missing-from-home incidents are subject to clear management oversight, and debriefs are carried out to identify triggers and reduce the risk of future incidents.

Clear behaviour management systems are in place. Consequences are proportionate and restorative, and children are encouraged to reflect on their actions. Staff have received training on topics including self-harm and behaviour management, and team meetings are used to reinforce expectations and learning. Wi-Fi filtering systems are in place, with individual controls applied where necessary to ensure that children's online activity is carefully monitored to prevent potential access to unsafe content.

Leaders and managers provide stable and effective oversight of the home. They understand the strengths and areas for development and take appropriate action when needed. Since the last inspection, managers have strengthened monitoring systems, including reviewing children's time spent in the community and improving recording where shortfalls are identified.

Education oversight is robust. Leaders consistently escalated concerns to relevant professionals, including senior local authority leaders, in relation to one child who experienced prolonged absence from school. Consequently, changes to their tutoring arrangements resulted in measurable improvements in the child's engagement. This demonstrates persistence and a clear focus on improving outcomes for children.

Staff receive regular supervision and attend team meetings, which are used to share good practice and reinforce safeguarding responsibilities.

A planned and structured management transition is in place. The current manager is taking some extended leave from their position soon. They have worked with the new manager to ensure that there is a smooth transition of roles and ensuring continuity of care. Children were involved in the recruitment process. This careful planning minimises disruption and provides stability for children.

Overall, leadership is reflective and proactive. There is clear evidence that management oversight has a positive impact on children's safety, stability and progress.

The provider has met the requirements raised at the full inspection.

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
30/09/2025	Full	Requires improvement to be good
23/04/2024	Full	Good
25/04/2023	Full	Good

Children's home details

Unique reference number: 2677411

Provision sub-type: Children's home

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Registered manager: Rachel Tandy

Inspector

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