

2701412

Registered provider: Prosperity Children's Services Limited

Assurance inspection

Inspected under the social care common inspection framework

Information about this children's home

This privately owned children's home offers care for up to two children, who may experience social and emotional difficulties.

The manager registered with Ofsted in August 2024.

At the time of the inspection, 2 children were living in the home. The children spoke to the inspector about their experiences of living in the home.

Inspection date: 5 March 2026

Date of last inspection: 2 July 2024

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, 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.

One child has lived in their home for a long period of time. They are settled and making progress. One child has moved into the home since the last inspection. The manager ensured that the ability of the children to live together was fully considered. As a result, the children have positive relationships with each other.

Education is valued by staff and the manager. One child is supported by staff to attend mainstream education. There is effective joint working between home and school which allows the child to succeed and achieve. While one child is not yet attending education the manager has ensured that they are provided with tutoring in the home. The manager consistently challenges the local authority on the lack of a suitable education provision for the child.

Staff and the manager know the children well and support them with their needs and vulnerabilities. Children have access to the provider's therapy team which supports them to understand their own feelings and emotions. The therapy team also work with staff members to support them with understanding the children's emotional needs.

Incidents in the home are usually diffused by staff in line with their training. Physical intervention is only used as a last resort. When this has been used it has been proportionate and necessary and clear records of the intervention have been completed. However, when children make allegations against staff they are not always acted on. This means that correct procedures are not always followed by the manager. Investigations are not always completed, or relevant safeguarding and regulatory bodies informed.

There is a stable staff team which ensures consistency for children. Staff have access to a range of training which is delivered in a variety of ways. The manager has ensured that staff have the skills to meet the needs of the children, including when any new needs emerge.

The manager has good oversight of the home. Children's plans are updated in a timely manner. This ensures that staff receive clear direction of how best to support children. However, the manager has not ensured that external monitoring completed by the independent person is thorough and reports are not always accurate.

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
03/06/2025	Full	Requires improvement to be good
02/07/2024	Full	Requires improvement to be good
16/08/2023	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
In particular, the standard in paragraph (1) requires the registered person to ensure— that staff— understand the roles and responsibilities in relation to protecting children that are assigned to them by the registered person; take effective action whenever there is a serious concern about a child's welfare; and that the home's day-to-day care is arranged and delivered so as to keep each child safe and to protect each child effectively from harm. (Regulation 12 (1) (2)(a)(v)(vi)(vii)(b)) The registered person must ensure that correct processes are followed when allegations are made against staff. This must include notifying relevant safeguarding and regulatory bodies.	3 April 2026

Recommendation

- The registered person should ensure that any individual appointed to carry out visits to the home as an independent person must make a rigorous and impartial assessment of the home's arrangements for safeguarding and promoting the welfare of the children in the home's care. This includes ensuring that children's views and feedback are gathered regularly. In addition, information contained in reports must be accurate. ('Guide to the Children's Homes Regulations, including the quality standards,' page 65, paragraph 15.5)

Children's home details

Unique reference number: 2701412

Provision sub-type: Children's home

Registered provider: Prosperity Children's Services Limited

Registered provider address: Unit 8, Venus House, Mercury Rise, Altham Business Park, Altham, Accrington BB5 5BY

Responsible individual: Carl Atkinson

Registered manager: Tania Jeffries

Inspector

Eve Ostridge, Social Care Inspector

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