

2718067

Registered provider: Blue Kite Children Care Limited

Monitoring visit

Inspected under the social care common inspection framework

Information about this children's home

The home registered with Ofsted in September 2023 and is owned and managed by a private provider. It offers care for up to four children who may experience social and emotional difficulties.

At the time of the visit, one child was living at the home. The child was spoken to during the visit.

There is no registered manager in post.

Inspection date: 27 January 2026

This monitoring visit

This visit took place to consider the action taken by the provider in response to compliance notices served on 23 December 2025. The notices were served under regulation 12 (the protection standard), regulation 13 (the leadership and management standard) and regulation 14 (the care planning standard).

Improvements have been made to the home environment. The external and internal areas of the home are well presented and damaged furniture has been replaced.

A new system to oversee the maintenance of the home has been introduced. Staff now complete daily checks of the home to identify any outstanding repairs. A daily checklist has been created to support this monitoring process. In addition, a member of staff has been tasked with the responsibility of ensuring that the home environment is well maintained.

Since the assurance visit, a management meeting has taken place and the process of moving children into the home has been reviewed. Leaders and managers must ensure that before accepting children into the home, assessments are thoroughly

completed and all relevant documentation related to the child is obtained and considered as part of the decision-making process.

A reflective session was held with staff to consider the experiences of two children who recently moved on from the home. The meeting focused on the transition process and the care provided to the children during their time in the home. This was a detailed reflection, that in addition to identifying strengths around the care provided, also identified shortfalls in practice around meeting the competing needs of children, the supervision of children and delays in reviewing their care arrangements. There are now measures in place to reduce the risk of these shortfalls reoccurring.

Leaders and managers have ensured that staff have access to needs led training. All staff have completed training on ADHD and Autism, which was identified as a shortfall in staff learning at the last visit.

Safeguarding briefings with staff have taken place and their knowledge of safeguarding practice has been explored in team meetings. All staff have been provided with guidance notes on how to respond when incidents occur. Staff spoken to demonstrated good knowledge of their role and responsibilities to safeguard children.

Following the visit, it was agreed at a case review that the provider has taken sufficient steps to meet the three compliance notices.

The requirements raised at the full inspection were not considered as part of this visit. These will be reviewed at the next inspection.

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
23/04/2025	Full	Requires improvement to be good
05/06/2024	Full	Good
20/11/2023	Full	Requires improvement to be good
05/07/2023	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, 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 children's views, wishes and feelings standard is that children receive care from staff who— engage with them; and take their views, wishes and feelings into account in relation to matters affecting the children's care and welfare and their lives. In particular, the standard in paragraph (1) requires the registered person to— ensure that staff— ascertain and consider each child's views, wishes and feelings, and balance these against what they judge to be in the child's best interests when making decisions about the child's care and welfare; help each child to express views, wishes and feelings; help each child to understand how the child's views, wishes and feelings have been taken into account and give the child reasons for decisions in relation to the child; and regularly consult children, and seek their feedback, about the quality of the home's care. (Regulation 7(1)(b)(c) (2)(a)(i)(ii)(iii)(iv))	22 September 2025
The education standard is that children make measurable progress towards achieving their educational potential and are helped to do so. In particular, the standard in paragraph (1) requires the registered person to ensure— that staff—	22 September 2025

help each child to achieve the child's education and training targets, as recorded in the child's relevant plans; support each child's learning and development, including helping the child to develop independent study skills and, where appropriate, helping the child to complete independent study; understand the barriers to learning that each child may face and take appropriate action to help the child to overcome any such barriers; help a child who is excluded from school, or who is of compulsory school age but not attending school, to access educational and training support throughout the period of exclusion or non-attendance and to return to school as soon as possible; help each child who is above compulsory school age to participate in further education, training or employment and to prepare for future care, education or employment. (Regulation 8 (1) (2)(a)(i)(ii)(iii)(vii)(ix))	
The health and well-being standard is that— the health and well-being needs of children are met; children receive advice, services and support in relation to their health and well-being; and children are helped to lead healthy lifestyles. In particular, the standard in paragraph (1) requires the registered person to ensure— that staff help each child to— achieve the health and well-being outcomes that are recorded in the child's relevant plans; that each child has access to such dental, medical, nursing, psychiatric and psychological advice, treatment and other services as the child may require. (Regulation 10 (1)(a)(b)(c) (2)(a)(i)(c))	22 September 2025

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: 2718067

Provision sub-type: Children's home

Registered provider: Blue Kite Children Care Limited

Registered provider address: West Midlands House Ltd, Gipsy Lane, Willenhall
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Responsible individual: Thomas Haire

Registered manager: post vacant

Inspector

Chibuzo Otache, Social Care Inspector

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