

2729358

Registered provider: Bradford Children and Families Trust

Monitoring visit

Inspected under the social care common inspection framework

Information about this children's home

The home is operated by Bradford Children and Families Trust. It is registered to provide full-time care for up to 4 children who experience social and emotional difficulties.

There has been no registered manager at this home since 25 November 2025. There is an interim manager in post who has submitted his application to Ofsted to become the registered manager.

No children were living at the home at the time of this visit.

Inspection date: 4 February 2026

This monitoring visit

The home has been registered with Ofsted since April 2023. The children who were living in the home moved out in June 2025. The Trust decided to close the home for refurbishment.

Ofsted imposed a condition on the home's registration. This required the Trust to notify Ofsted three months before it intends to move any children into the home. The Trust notified Ofsted of its intention to reopen. This monitoring visit took place to ensure that the home is ready to open and that it can provide safe care for children.

The Trust has completed a full refurbishment of the home, making it a safe, homely and welcoming environment. The home, including the children's bedrooms are largely decorated in neutral colours. This is so that children will be able to personalise their bedrooms and the home.

The new manager is still to have his interview with Ofsted to determine his fitness to become the registered manager. However, the manager has vast experience of being

a deputy manager, both within private children's homes and those operated by a local authority. The manager will be supported by an equally experienced deputy manager.

The manager and the deputy manager have addressed the previous shortfalls identified at the last inspection. As a result, additional training has been identified to support the staff. The manager has identified actions that will support the staff going forward with their confidence and ability to ensure that children are safe, well cared for and that paperwork is aligned and child focused.

The staff team is experienced and have worked together at the home prior to the home closing for renovation. During the period of closure, staff have been seconded to other homes operated by the Trust, where they have maintained their training and development. The team has come together again recently to participate in final preparations of the home. They have also had the opportunity to complete online and face-to-face refresher training.

Following this visit, Ofsted confirmed that the home can now begin admitting children again.

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
21/01/2025	Full	Requires improvement to be good
02/08/2023	Full	Requires improvement to be good

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: 2729358

Provision sub-type: Children's home

Registered provider: Bradford Children and Families Trust

Registered provider address: Sir Henry Mitchell House (5th Floor), 4 Manchester Road, Bradford, West Yorkshire BD5 0QL

Responsible individual: Patsy Burrows

Registered manager: Post vacant

Inspector

Angela Ross, Social Care Inspector

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