

2737107

Young Options Group Ltd

Monitoring visit

Information about this children's home

The home registered with Ofsted on 4 September 2023. It provides care for up to two children aged between 11 and 18 years who have experienced trauma.

At the time of this visit, no children were living at the home.

The current manager took up post in June 2024 and has applied to register as manager for the home.

Inspection date: 1 November 2024

This monitoring visit

Ofsted issued a notice suspending the registration of the home following an assurance inspection on 21 September 2023. The assurance inspection was carried out in response to significant concerns and allegations raised in relation to the home.

Ofsted has carried out monitoring visits to the home, in November 2023 and February, May, June, August and September 2024. The purpose of this latest visit was to monitor compliance with the suspension notice served following the last visit.

Since the last visit, the provider has continued to comply with the suspension notice and has not provided care for any children since the assurance inspection in September 2023.

The manager has introduced the use of scenarios as a training platform for staff to increase their skills in recording how care is to be delivered.

The provider advised that they have now appointed a new director and a new responsible individual for the home. They anticipate that this will provide the home with improved oversight and support for the new manager. However, the provider has not yet evidenced how they have satisfied themselves that the new responsible

individual has the skills or experience for the role. They have yet to complete safer recruitment checks for this individual to ensure that they are safe to work with children. Furthermore, verification of references for the new directors has yet to be completed.

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
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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, 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 registered person must recruit staff using recruitment procedures that are designed to ensure children's safety. The registered person may only— employ an individual to work at the children's home; or if an individual is employed by a person other than the registered person to work at the home in a position in which the individual may have regular contact with children, allow that individual to work at the home, if the individual satisfies the requirements in paragraph (3). The requirements are that— the individual is of integrity and good character; the individual has the appropriate experience, qualification and skills for the work that the individual is to perform; the individual is mentally and physically fit for the purposes of the work that the individual is to perform; and full and satisfactory information is available in relation to the individual in respect of each of the matters in Schedule 2. (Regulation 32 (1) (2)(a)(b) (3)(a)(b)(c)(d))	4 December 2024

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: 2737107

Provision sub-type: Children's home

Registered provider: Young Options Group Ltd

Registered provider address: 1 Park Road, Hampton Wick, Kingston Upon Thames. KT1 4AS

Responsible individual: Post vacant

Registered manager: Post vacant

Inspector

Jay Shekleton, Social Care Inspector

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