

2788340

Registered provider: Nurture Childcare Services Limited

Full 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 two children, who may experience social and/or emotional difficulties.

The home was registered with Ofsted in December 2024. The manager registered with Ofsted in June 2025.

This is the home's first inspection since registering with Ofsted.

At the time of the inspection, one child was living at the home.

Inspection dates: 8 and 9 December 2025

Overall experiences and progress of children and young people, taking into account	good
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How well children and young people are helped and protected	good
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The effectiveness of leaders and managers	good
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The children's home provides effective services that meet the requirements for good.

Date of last inspection: not previously inspected

Overall judgement at last inspection: not applicable

Enforcement action since last inspection: none

Inspection judgements

Overall experiences and progress of children and young people: good

The home provides a clean, well-maintained and welcoming environment that promotes a sense of safety and belonging for the child. Staff actively support the child to personalise their bedroom; this contributes positively to the child's self-esteem and emotional well-being. However, door alarms and window restrictors are used on all doors and windows. This is not assessed individually for children to ensure that these restrictions are necessary and proportionate to keep children safe. This can detract from the family feel of the home.

The child is consistently engaging well in education. This reflects positive progress from their individual starting point. The registered manager maintains proactive and effective communication with education providers, ensuring a cohesive and coordinated approach that supports the child's learning and development. This collaborative practice contributes to the child's improved educational outcomes.

The child's physical and emotional health needs are prioritised. Staff support the child to attend routine and specialist health appointments. As a result, the child is in good health, and their emotional well-being is promoted.

The child experienced a well-planned and positive move into the home. Staff were sensitive to the child's needs. The child was able to meet with the manager before they moved in. This ensured that the move was sensitively approached and managed.

How well children and young people are helped and protected: good

The child said that they can identify a trusted adult they can talk to about any concerns. They report that adults listen to them, take their concerns seriously and respond appropriately.

Leaders and managers regularly review risk management plans to ensure that they meet the child's needs and help to keep them safe. Staff review and update risk management plans to reflect any changes to the child's needs and risks. This helps staff to provide a consistent approach to keep the child safe.

When risks escalate, prompt and effective action is taken to ensure that staff respond to the child's emerging needs. This proactive approach enhances staff competence in managing complex situations. The child benefits from specialist therapeutic intervention.

However, direct work is not always completed following incidents. This reduces the effectiveness of support as the child's views and experiences are not always fully recorded. This could impact on the manager's oversight and review to make continuous improvements to the child's care.

Recruitment procedures and practices are safe and effective. All staff are checked and vetted before they work at the home. These checks ensure that only suitable staff are employed to work with children.

Incidents are managed well. The manager ensures that any shortfalls in staff practice are addressed swiftly and effectively.

Staff provide the child with help and support to manage their behaviours and feelings safely. Staff understand the child's experiences and set clear, appropriate boundaries around what is safe and acceptable. They work to identify triggers for behaviour and consistently promote positive choices.

The effectiveness of leaders and managers: good

The registered manager demonstrates ambitious and effective leadership, with a clear understanding of the needs of the child and staff. Staff report feeling well supported by the management team and speak positively about their experiences of working at the home. This contributes to a stable and nurturing environment, where children can thrive

Staff undertake regular training that helps them to better understand and meet the child's needs. When additional training is needed, the manager ensures that all staff have access to this. This means that staff develop their skills to ensure that they implement good practice.

Partnership working with professionals is a key strength of the manager and staff team. Feedback from professionals is positive. One professional said, 'It is not often I work with a manager as proactive.' The child's social worker said that the manager is 'amazing and such a strong advocate for my child'.

Staff feel supported by the management team and enjoy working at the home. Regular supervision sessions and team meetings provide a reflective space for staff to share their good work and reflections on their practice. Induction programmes are in place that offer a comprehensive introduction to the home for new staff.

What does the children's home need to do to improve?

Recommendations

- The registered person should ensure that they have consent from those with parental responsibility and the placing authority for the use of any monitoring equipment. This should be regularly reviewed to ensure that this is a necessary and proportionate measure to keep children safe. ('Guide to the Children's Homes Regulations, including the quality standards', page 16, paragraph 3.16)
- The registered manager should ensure that the steps taken by staff, to secure good progress and outcomes, are clearly recorded within the children's documents. This includes key-work sessions being completed in line with emerging needs or specific incidents. ('Guide to the Children's Homes Regulations, including the quality standards', page 62, paragraph 14.5)

Information about this inspection

Inspectors have 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'.

Children's home details

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