

Compliance action taken for childcare provision

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Summary of outcome

All early years providers must meet the legal requirements in the Statutory framework for the early years foundation stage, which you can find at www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-foundation-stage-framework--2. If we find that a provider is not meeting the requirements, we can take action to ensure they put matters right.

On 22 July 2024, the provider notified us about an incident relating to safety and suitability of premises, environment and equipment, staff-to-child ratios and qualifications, training, support and skills. The notification means that the provider met their legal responsibility as set out in the Statutory framework for the early years foundation stage to notify Ofsted of a significant event where a child was left unsupervised.

On 5 September 2024, we carried out a regulatory telephone call. We found the provider was not meeting some of the requirements and had taken action to put this right. The provider has taken action to review their risk assessment procedures to ensure these are more robust in checking children in and out of the pre-school room. Since the incident occurred, all staff have received copies of the new procedures to help promote children's safety, and further training is being provided. The provider ensures that staff-to-child ratios are met and that training it provided to help ensure staff understand their roles and responsibilities.

Additionally, we have issued actions for the provider to take.

Actions needed by 24 September 2024:

- notify Ofsted of changes to the committee so that the required suitability checks can be completed.

Finally, we also found that the provider had failed to notify Ofsted of a significant event, which is a requirement of their registration. However, this was under the previous leadership. The current leadership has demonstrated their understanding of notifying Ofsted of significant events.

On 20 September 2024, the provider responded to the action set. We found that the provider had now informed Ofsted of all changes to the committee members to allow us to carry out the required suitability checks. We are satisfied the provider has met the safeguarding and welfare actions raised.

The provider will be able to give parents further information about this.

The provider is still registered with Ofsted.

Publication of compliance action

We aim to ensure that the welfare of children and young people is protected in the services we regulate. The Childcare Act 2006 and accompanying regulations set out our responsibilities to regulate childminders and childcare providers. This includes the enforcement powers we have in relation to those registered providers who do not comply with the requirements for registration.

We publish details of any actions we take, or the childminder or childcare provider takes to bring about compliance with requirements on our website for a period of five years.

For further information please read the Early years compliance handbook which can be found here at www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-provider-non-compliance-action-by-ofsted.