

Childminder report

Inspection date:

26 September 2025

**The quality and
standards of early
years provision**

**This
inspection**

Met

Previous
inspection

Not Met (with actions)

Summary of key findings

This provision meets requirements

- The childminder is reflective and committed to providing the best possible care and learning experiences for children. Since her last inspection, she has worked with a range of professionals to develop action plans that support continuous improvement in her practice. The childminder is committed to her ongoing professional development. She intends to tailor future training to meet the individual needs of the children in her care.
- The childminder demonstrates a strong understanding of safeguarding requirements and how to keep children safe, both at home and in the wider community. She recognises the importance of maintaining up-to-date risk assessments and regularly reviews these to reflect any changes in circumstances or emerging risks. This ensures that the environment remains safe and free from hazards.
- The childminder demonstrates a secure understanding of her curriculum intentions and how these are used to inform her planning. She clearly identifies how children's interests are used to shape a curriculum that is both engaging and suitably challenging. This enables her to plan meaningful experiences that build on what children already know and can do.
- The childminder outlines how she will promote children's understanding of healthy lifestyles. She plans to offer a range of nutritious, home-cooked meals and fresh fruit for snacks. The childminder will use a range of engaging games to help children understand how to make positive healthy choices.
- Children will have opportunities to explore the world around them through a range of outings. The childminder plans regular visits to local parks, woodlands and nature reserves to support children's understanding of the natural environment. These experiences help children recognise similarities and differences in the world around them. For example, during visits to a local bird sanctuary, children will start to recognise and name different species of birds.
- The childminder recognises the importance of working in partnership with parents to ensure children's learning continues beyond her setting. She aims to build strong, collaborative relationships with families by regularly sharing activities, ideas and strategies to support children's ongoing development at home.

There were no children in the early years age range present when this inspection took place. The findings in this report are based on evidence gathered from discussions with those who care for the children and an inspection of the premises, equipment and relevant documentation. Where there are no early years children present, no judgement is made on the quality of the early years provision as there is no reliable evidence on which to assess its impact on children. The report states whether the provider continues to meet the requirements of registration.

Setting details

Unique reference number	322527
Local authority	Wigan
Inspection number	10393204
Type of provision	Childminder
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register
Day care type	Childminder
Age range of children at time of inspection	4 to 9
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	7
Date of previous inspection	17 December 2024

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2000 and lives in Hindley, Wigan. She operates all year round, from 7.30am to 6pm, on a Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, except for bank holidays and family holidays. The childminder holds an appropriate qualification at level 3. She offers government funded early education places.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Jason Holmes

Inspection activities

- The childminder showed the inspector the premises and discussed how they ensure they are safe and suitable.
- The inspector discussed with the childminder how she plans to support children's learning and development.
- The childminder provided the inspector with documentation when requested, including risk assessments.
- The inspector discussed with the childminder how she intends to meet the safeguarding and welfare requirements when minding children.
- Parents shared their views via written feedback.

We carried out this inspection under sections 49 and 50 of the Childcare Act 2006 on the quality and standards of provision that is registered on the Early Years Register. The registered person must ensure that this provision complies with the statutory framework for children's learning, development and care, known as the early years foundation stage.

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