

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 7 February 2025, the provider notified us about a safeguarding incident. 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 significant events.

On 12 February 2025, we also received concerns that the provider was not meeting requirements relating to safeguarding policies and procedures and accidents.

We suspended the provider's registration on 10 February 2025 because we believed children may be at risk of harm. Suspension allows time for the provider to take steps to reduce or eliminate the risk of harm to children. The provider has a right to appeal against a suspension. The provider may not provide childcare for which registration is required while the suspension is in place and may commit an offence if they do so.

On 26 February 2025, we carried out a regulatory visit. We found the provider was not meeting some of the requirements. We served a welfare requirements notice. This is a legal notice that requires the provider to take the actions below within the timescales set out. The provider will be able to give parents further information about this.

Actions needed by 17 March 2025:

- ensure any exemptions to the usual staff: child ratios do not impact on the quality of care and safety of children
- ensure children are always within your sight or hearing
- ensure written records of any accidents are completed in a timely manner
- ensure parents and/or carers are informed of any accident or injury sustained by a child on the same day, or as soon as reasonably practicable after.

On 27 February 2025, we lifted the suspension because the provider took appropriate action to deal with the matter that led to the suspension. We are satisfied that the identified risk of

harm to children has been removed.

On 20 March 2025, we carried out a regulatory visit. The focus of the visit was to check whether the provider had met the safeguarding and welfare actions raised at the last visit. We found that the provider had improved their knowledge and understanding of child protection procedures. They have completed training and improved their knowledge of the statutory requirements. The provider has reflected on their practice and changed procedures for meeting children at the start of the day. They have designed new forms for the timely recording of accidents. We are satisfied the provider has met the safeguarding and welfare actions raised. 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.