

SC018238

Registered provider: Dove Adolescent Services Limited

Interim inspection

Inspected under the social care common inspection framework

Information about this children's home

This home is owned and operated by a private company. The home is registered to take one young person who has emotional and/or behavioural difficulties.

Inspection date: 9 January 2018

Judgement at last inspection: not judged

Date of last inspection: 26 July 2017

Enforcement action since last inspection:

None.

This inspection

The effectiveness of the home and the progress and experiences of children and young people since the most recent full inspection

This home was judged good at the last full inspection. At this interim inspection the home was 'not judged'.

The home has been closed since December 2014. The home has not admitted any children or young people.

The physical environment remains suitable for use as a children's home. It would require some alterations in respect of the furnishing, as currently it is not presented as a home. The home is currently being used as a training venue, so it is not in a position to admit children and young people, although checks on health and safety are frequently made and public liability insurance is in place.

The registered provider acknowledges the need to ensure that a registered manager and a suitable staff team are in place before reopening. The provider is in the process of recruiting a manager, and is looking to source and secure an experienced and

established staff team.

It is still the provider's intention to reopen the home and admit a child or young person.

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
26/07/2017	Interim	Not judged
15/02/2017	Interim	Not judged
14/11/2016	Interim	Not judged
22/01/2016	Interim	Not judged

Information about this inspection

Inspectors have looked closely at the experiences and progress of children and young people. Inspectors considered the quality of work and the differences made to the lives of children and young people. They watched how professional staff work with children and young people and each other and discussed the effectiveness of help and care provided. Wherever possible, they talked to children and young people and their families. In addition, the inspectors have tried to understand what the children's home knows about how well it is performing, how well it is doing and what difference it is making for the children and young people whom it is trying to help, protect and look after.

This inspection focused on the effectiveness of the home and the progress and experiences of children and young people since the most recent full inspection.

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

Unique reference number: SC018238

Provision sub-type: Children's home

Registered provider: Dove Adolescent Services Limited

Registered provider address: 170 Southgate, Pontefract, West Yorkshire WF8 1QJ

Responsible individual: Barbara Whittaker

Registered manager: Post vacant

Inspector

Jennifer Fenlon, social care inspector

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