

# SC025664

Registered provider: Ownlife Limited 02932099

Interim inspection

Inspected under the social care common inspection framework

## **Information about this children's home**

This privately owned home provides care and accommodation for up to three young people who may experience emotional and behavioural difficulties. The home is currently non-operational.

**Inspection date:** 8 June 2017

**Judgement at last inspection:** Not judged

**Date of last inspection:** 24 January 2017

## **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 in June 2015  
At this interim inspection, the home was 'not judged'.

The home has been closed for 19 months. The registered provider has indicated that the home will not be operational in the near future. Should the home decide to accept placements, it is required to inform Ofsted of its intention before it does so.

Regulation 45 independent visitor inspections have not been taking place. Therefore, a requirement is made that these monthly monitoring visits to the home must occur. Given that the home is not accommodating children or young people, this shortfall has no impact on their welfare or well-being.

Recommendations made at the last full inspection remain in place.

## Recent inspection history

| Inspection date | Inspection type | Inspection judgement |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| 24/01/2017      | Interim         | Not judged           |
| 08/09/2016      | Interim         | Not judged           |
| 25/02/2016      | Interim         | Not judged           |
| 13/05/2015      | Full            | Good                 |

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

### Statutory requirements

This section sets out the actions that the registered person(s) must take to meet the Care Standards Act 2000, Children's Homes (England) Regulations 2015 and the 'Guide to the children's homes regulations including the quality standards'. The registered person(s) must comply within the given timescales.

| Requirement                                                                                                                           | Due date   |
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| The registered person must ensure that an independent person visits the children's home at least once each month. (Regulation 44 (1)) | 31/07/2017 |

### Recommendations

- Ensure that children have access to a computer and the internet to support their education and learning. ('Guide to the children's homes regulations including the quality standards', page 29, paragraph 5.19)
- Ensure that all records including those that are kept electronically can be easily accessed by anyone with a legitimate need to view them. ('Guide to the children's homes regulations including the quality standards', page 61, paragraph 14.2)

### 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 difference 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 who 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:** SC025664

**Provision sub-type:** Children's home

**Registered provider:** Ownlife Limited 02932099

**Registered provider address:** 8 Poole Hill, Bournemouth BH2 5PS

**Responsible individual:** David Hastings

**Registered manager:** Annette Dume

## **Inspector**

Juanita Mayers, social care inspector

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