

SC025664

Registered provider: Ownlife Limited

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 children and young people who may experience emotional and/or behavioural difficulties. The home is currently non-operational.

Inspection date: 19 February 2018

Judgement at last inspection: Not judged

Date of last inspection: 8 June 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 in June 2015. At this interim inspection, the home was **not judged**.

The home has been closed for 26 months. The registered provider has indicated that the home is undergoing a complete refurbishment and expects to reopen in the spring of 2018. Prior to the home offering placements to children and young people, it is required to inform Ofsted of its intention to do so.

The previous registered manager resigned in November 2017. The organisation has appointed a new manager to the service. He is qualified, experienced and is in the process of submitting an application for registration to Ofsted.

At the last inspection, a requirement was made regarding the completion of independent visitor's reports within the timescales set by regulations. This requirement has now been

met. Recommendations made at the last full inspection remain in place.

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
08/06/2017	Interim	Not judged
24/01/2017	Interim	Not Judged
08/09/2016	Interim	Not judged
25/02/2016	Interim	Not judged

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.

Recommendation

- 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, 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 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: SC025664

Provision sub-type: Children's home

Registered provider: Ownlife Limited

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

Responsible individual: David Hastings

Registered manager: Post vacant

Inspector

Juanita Mayers, social care inspector

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