

SC037256

Registered provider: Suffolk County Council

Monitoring visit

Inspected under the common inspection framework

Information about this children's home

This local authority home provides care for up to seven children with social and emotional difficulties.

There are currently five children living at the home.

The manager registered with Ofsted in July 2020.

Inspection date: 21 March 2025

This monitoring visit

Since the last inspection, the staff and children have moved to a temporary home run by the local authority that is registered with Ofsted. This is while renovations are carried out to their home. The renovations are almost complete with a due date of 25 March 2025. During this week, the five children will return to their refurbished home. The manager and staff have planned and prepared for the move. This is to ensure that the children return to a house that is ready to live in and their belongings and bedrooms are ready for use.

The home that the children stayed at temporarily has undergone a full inspection because it remained registered. At the time of that inspection, there were five children living at the temporary home. The children were spoken to by the inspectors and contributed to the inspection of the temporary home. At that inspection, inspectors reviewed children's progress and welfare. There were some concerns about the children living in temporary accommodation relating to maintenance issues. The manager and the responsible individual took immediate action to ensure that the house was safe during that inspection.

The shortfalls identified at the last full inspection have been reviewed at the full inspection of the temporary home. These have been met.

This monitoring visit has been conducted through a brief site visit and remote discussions with the manager.

The home will undergo a full inspection when the children have returned and settled. In the interim period, Ofsted will continue to monitor the home.

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
20/09/2023	Full	Good
11/04/2022	Full	Good
13/10/2021	Interim	Declined in effectiveness
12/04/2021	Full	Requires improvement to be good

Information about this inspection

The purpose of this visit was to monitor the action taken and the progress made by the children's home since its last Ofsted inspection.

This inspection was carried out under the Care Standards Act 2000.

Children's home details

Unique reference number: SC037256

Provision sub-type: Children's home

Registered provider: Suffolk County Council

Registered provider address: Babergh District Council, Endeavour House, Russell Road, Ipswich IP1 2BX

Responsible individual: Glynn Smith

Registered manager: Louisa Nimmo

Inspector

Deirdra Keating, Social Care Inspector

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