

# SC040191

## **Break**

Monitoring visit

Inspected under the social care common inspection framework

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

The home is run by a registered charity. It provides long-term placements for up to four children who have traumatic backgrounds and may have experienced neglect and/or emotional abuse.

The registered manager resigned in June 2021.

**Inspection date:** 6 July 2021

## **This monitoring visit**

This visit was undertaken to monitor the provider's compliance with a suspension notice served by Ofsted on 8 June 2021.

The suspension notice was served following significant concerns about the safety of the child who was living at the home. The registered manager had allowed two adult males to stay at the home. These males had been allowed to sleep at the home in the lounge with the vulnerable child while staff were sleeping on the premises. On 7 June 2021, an incident occurred in which the two men and the child became aggressive and abusive towards staff. This incident resulted in the arrest of the child.

This visit confirmed that the provider has adhered to the suspension of registration. No children have lived at the home since the notice was served.

Since the suspension of registration notice was served, the registered manager has resigned and is no longer in post. The responsible individual spoke about what is being put in place as a result of the action taken by Ofsted and the circumstances that led to it. This work has begun and is ongoing. Some of it is subject to the outcome of a formal investigation, which is also ongoing.

The provider has requested a variation to their conditions, to state that they must inform Ofsted of their intention to admit children three months before a placement commences. This is currently being reviewed.

## Recent inspection history

| Inspection date | Inspection type | Inspection judgement    |
|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| 30/09/2019      | Full            | Good                    |
| 11/12/2018      | Full            | Good                    |
| 04/12/2017      | Full            | Good                    |
| 21/03/2017      | Interim         | Sustained effectiveness |

## **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:** SC040191

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

**Registered provider:** Break

**Registered provider address:** Schofield House, 1 Spar Road, Norwich, Norfolk NR6 6BX

**Responsible individual:** Rachel Leslie

**Registered manager:** Post vacant

## **Inspector**

Joe Cox, Social Care Inspector

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