

SC064663

Registered provider: Eastfield Group

Monitoring visit

Inspected under the social care common inspection framework

Information about this children's home

The home is run by a private organisation. It provides care for up to seven children who may experience social and emotional difficulties.

At the time of the inspection, four children were living at the home. Two children spoke with the inspectors.

The manager registered with Ofsted in May 2023.

Inspection date: 2 September 2025

This monitoring visit

A restriction of accommodation notice was issued under section 22B of the Care Standards Act 2000 on 19 August 2025 due to identified shortfalls in care planning and oversight by leaders and managers in the home.

The purpose of the visit was to review if leaders and managers have met the steps required and to assess whether the action taken means that the restriction of accommodation can be lifted or not.

Since the last monitoring visit, no children have moved in or out of the home.

Children are provided with opportunities to share their views, wishes and feelings with staff, and additional emotional support has been offered to the children. The children say they are happy with the support they receive.

During the inspection, information emerged that had not been shared with the regulator. Insufficient action has been taken when an allegation has been made. During the inspection, there was no internal investigation report available to review, and the concerns were not shared with the correct local authority designated officer to ensure that children are safeguarded effectively through the safeguarding process.

Leaders and managers have not ensured that all serious incidents are notified to Ofsted as required by regulation. This limits the regulator's oversight of practice in the home.

Children have not gone missing from the home since the last monitoring visit; however, the manager has identified clear strategies for staff to follow should this occur.

Risk management plans are reviewed on a regular basis. However, strategies to reduce risks in relation to time with family and friends and gaming have not been included. There continues to be a lack of professional curiosity and no clear steps on the actions staff must take.

Leaders and managers do not have effective internal and external monitoring systems in place. This limits oversight of practice and reduces opportunity for leaders and managers to reflect and develop to improve the quality of care. This does not ensure that there is continuous improvement.

Staff have been offered additional emotional support; they say that they feel supported by leaders and managers.

Following this visit, a case review was held on 3 September 2025. It was agreed that sufficient action had not been undertaken to lift the restriction notice.

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
17/06/2025	Full	Good
13/05/2024	Full	Good
05/03/2024	Full	Requires improvement to be good
02/08/2022	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, The 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
The protection of children standard is that children are protected from harm and enabled to keep themselves safe. In particular, the standard in paragraph (1) requires the registered person to ensure— that staff— assess whether each child is at risk of harm, taking into account information in the child's relevant plans, and, if necessary, make arrangements to reduce the risk of any harm to the child. (Regulation 12 (1) (2)(a)(i)) Specifically, leaders and managers must ensure that all risks and how they will be managed are detailed in risk plans and in assessments made before children move into the home. Leaders and managers must ensure that their allegation reporting processes are robust and in line with the home's policy.	28 November 2025
The leadership and management standard is that the registered person enables, inspires and leads a culture in relation to the children's home that— helps children aspire to fulfil their potential; and promotes their welfare. use monitoring and review systems to make continuous improvements in the quality of care provided in the home. (Regulation 13 (1)(a)(b) (2)(h)) Specifically, leaders and managers must ensure that they have oversight of all work carried out in the home. This includes ensuring that all staff reflect on and evaluate their	28 November 2025

practice and that professional curiosity is encouraged and documented. Leaders and managers must ensure that there are effective systems in place for leaders and managers to access relevant records in the absence of other managers.	
The registered person must ensure that an independent person visits the children's home at least once each month. When the independent person is carrying out a visit, the registered person must help the independent person— if they consent, to interview in private such of the children, their parents, relatives and persons working at the home as the independent person requires. The independent person must provide a copy of the independent person's report to— HMCI. (Regulation 44 (1) (2)(a) (7)(a))	28 November 2025
The registered person must notify HMCI and each other relevant person without delay if— there is an allegation of abuse against the home or a person working there; and there is any other incident relating to a child which the registered person considers to be serious. (Regulation 40 (4)(c)(e))	28 November 2025

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: SC064663

Provision sub-type: Children's home

Registered provider: Eastfield Group

Registered provider address: 1 Shireburn Road, Liverpool L37 1LR

Responsible individual: Ivy Thompson

Registered manager: Claire Turner

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