

Inspection report for children's home

Unique reference number	SC372617
Inspector	Michelle Moss
Type of inspection	Interim
Provision subtype	Children's home

Registered person	Bryn Melyn Care Limited
Registered person address	2 High Street Dawley Telford Shropshire TF4 2ET

Responsible individual	Melissa Johnson
Registered manager	Justine Ann Staples
Date of last inspection	07/10/2014

Inspection date	10/02/2015
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Previous inspection	good
Enforcement action since last inspection	none

This inspection

This home was judged good at the last full inspection. At this interim inspection Ofsted judge that it has **improved effectiveness**.

Young people remain stable in their placement and very much view the setting as their home. As a result, young people feel safe and secure and are thriving physically, emotionally and educationally.

Young people continue to get the right support to achieve qualifications appropriate to their abilities and aspirations. This includes working towards their General Certificate of Secondary Education (GCSEs). Young people's school attendance remains excellent. Often young people will take up extra-curricular activities, such as music lessons. These opportunities are helping them to develop musical talent.

Good lines of communication and accountability between the Registered Manager and staff mean young people receive tailored and consistent care that reflects their individual needs. Staff continue to develop their skills and knowledge. This includes attending specific training around keeping young people safe. This training is helping to enhance practice by ensuring staff have a good understanding about how to keep young people safe.

The Registered Manager is proactive in exchanging information with specialist services and placing authorities. This open communication means young people receive a high level of support. For example, the Registered Manager works closely with the organisation's therapists. Through structured joint planning, young people's care plans are closely monitored and adjusted to reflect any new emerging need.

Improvements have been made to ensure key documents from the placing authorities are quickly obtained. This is helping staff to be better informed about young people's history.

The Registered Manager continues to ensure consistency in practice improves young

people's outcomes. This includes adapting practice to reflect young people's developmental and behavioural changes. This skilful approach enables young people to develop more appropriate personal and social boundaries and to learn how to respect others views.

Young people are encouraged to play an active role in preparing meals. As a result, they are more confident and have increased life skills.

Information about this children's home

This is a small private children's home catering for one young person who may have emotional and/or behavioural difficulties.

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
07/10/2014	Full	good
06/03/2014	Interim	satisfactory progress
22/05/2013	Full	good
15/01/2013	Interim	satisfactory progress

What inspection judgements mean

At the interim inspections we make a judgement on whether the home has improved in effectiveness, sustained effectiveness, or declined in effectiveness since the previous full inspection. This is in line with the *Inspection of children's homes: framework for inspection*.

Information about this inspection

The purpose of this inspection is to assure children and young people, parents, the public, local authorities and government of the quality and standard of the service provided. The inspection was carried out under the Care Standards Act 2000 to assess the effectiveness of the service and to consider how well it complies with the relevant regulations and meets the national minimum standards.

The report details the main strengths, any areas for improvement, including any breaches of regulation, and any failure to meet national minimum standards. The judgements included in the report are made against the framework of inspection for children's homes.