

Inspection report for children's home

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Service information

Brief description of the service

The home, run by a private organisation, offers care and accommodation to one young person with emotional and/or behavioural difficulties.

The inspection judgements and what they mean

Good progress	The children's home has demonstrated continued improvement in quality of care and outcomes for children and young people and where appropriate has addressed all requirements and the large majority of recommendations that were raised at the previous inspection.
Satisfactory progress	The children's home has maintained quality of care and outcomes for children and young people and where appropriate has addressed all requirements and the majority of recommendations that were raised at the previous inspection.
Inadequate progress	The children's home has failed to address one or more requirements and/or has not met the majority of recommendations and/or the quality of care and outcomes for children and young people have declined since the last full inspection.

Progress

The home has not provided accommodation to children and young people since its registration on 25 January 2013. This inspection focuses on whether the children's home meets the statutory requirements in order to maintain its registration and is ready to accept placements.

The home is run by a Registered Manager and supported by a full staff complement who are suitably trained to the National Vocational Qualification at level 3. Regular supervision takes place and this ensures staff are kept up to date with the developments within the home.

The home is decorated to a high standard, offering comfortable and modern accommodation to young people. Likewise, young people's bedrooms are spacious and include new bedroom furniture ready to accommodate a young person.

Policies and procedures are in place and include an updated safeguarding procedure. The home works in partnership with the local authority in order to provide and maintain the safety of young people accommodated in the home.

Regulation 33 monitoring provides a good account of the preparations made to welcome a young person to the home. Similarly, actions made as a result of

Regulation 33 monitoring, such as minor maintenance are completed accordingly and this maintains the high standard of décor in the home.

The home blends into the residential area and is close to local amenities, health facilities and bus and rail networks. Similarly, young people living at the home will benefit from a range of local schools, parks and activity-based forums within the community.

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 progress made by the provider since the last full inspection, identifies any further strengths, any areas for improvement and makes judgements as outlined in the *Inspection of children's homes – framework for inspection*.