

SC456959

Registered provider: Cambian Childcare Limited

Assurance inspection

Inspected under the social care common inspection framework

Information about this children's home

This home is privately owned and provides care for up to one child who may experience social and emotional difficulties.

The manager registered with Ofsted in July 2024. She also manages another setting. The manager is no longer working at this home but has not yet de-registered with Ofsted.

Inspection date: 3 February 2026

Date of last inspection: 24 June 2025

Judgement at last inspection: requires improvement to be good

Enforcement action since last inspection: none

Information about this inspection

At this inspection, the inspector evaluated:

- the care of children
- the safety of children
- the effectiveness of leaders and managers.

The inspector has looked closely at the experiences and progress of children, using the social care common inspection framework. This assurance inspection was carried out under the Care Standards Act 2000 to assess the effectiveness of the service, how it meets the core functions of the service as set out in legislation, and to consider how well it complies with The Children's Homes (England) Regulations 2015 and the 'Guide to the Children's Homes Regulations, including the quality standards'.

Findings from the inspection

We did not identify any serious or widespread concerns in relation to the care or protection of children at this assurance inspection.

Since the last inspection, there have been changes to the management of the home. The registered manager is no longer working at this setting but has not de-registered with Ofsted and continues to manage another home. A new manager has been appointed and has submitted their application to register with Ofsted. Senior leaders ensured that suitable arrangements were in place to support staff and children throughout this transition.

At the time of this inspection, one child was living in the home. One child has moved on from the home since the last inspection. This report reflects the care and safety of both children.

Planning for the child's move from the home was well supported by managers and staff. Managers have maintained communication with the child and continue to liaise with other professionals when necessary.

One child has recently moved into the home. The move was planned well, and managers and staff visited the child in their previous home. An assessment of the child's needs was completed and staff received training to meet the child's individual needs. However, the child has a diagnosis of a learning disability. The home is not registered to accommodate these needs and therefore has been working outside of the home's conditions. Leaders have submitted a variation request which was considered as part of this inspection.

Care plans reflect the specific risks for each child who has lived at the home. Plans are updated regularly and detail strategies help staff to support children who may experience distress. However, incidents for one child were not always managed effectively. There were missed opportunities for staff to physically intervene to safeguard the child, despite further training.

When staff identified concerns about the practice of an external professional, managers took action to escalate these concerns on behalf of the child.

The child living at the home does not have an allocated school place due to the distance from their previous school. Managers are working closely with professionals to ensure that this remains a shared priority. Staff ensure that the child has positive routines to help them prepare for their return to education.

The child enjoys positive relationships with staff and takes part in a variety of fun and educational activities. This includes trips to the driving range, swimming and trampolining.

Staff regularly offer the child praise and rewards. Records, including photos of the child's achievements are kept. Consequences are used to help the child understand cause and effect. Records of consequences are kept. However, one record lacked the detail needed to understand the extent of the consequence. Some records also contain minor errors. However, this has not impacted on the child's safety, or the quality of care provided to them.

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
24/06/2025	Full	Requires improvement to be good
09/07/2024	Full	Requires improvement to be good
14/12/2021	Full	Inadequate
31/07/2019	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; understand the roles and responsibilities in relation to protecting children that are assigned to them by the registered person; take effective action whenever there is a serious concern about a child's welfare; and are familiar with, and act in accordance with, the home's child protection policies. (Regulation 12 (1) (2)(a)(i)(v)(vi)(vii)) Specifically, the registered person must ensure that staff follow the strategies outlined in children's plans to keep them safe.	5 May 2026
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.	5 May 2026

In particular, the standard in paragraph (1) requires the registered person to— lead and manage the home in a way that is consistent with the approach and ethos, and delivers the outcomes, set out in the home’s statement of purpose; use monitoring and review systems to make continuous improvements in the quality of care provided in the home. (Regulation 13 (1)(a)(b) (2)(a)(h)) Specifically, the registered manager must ensure that children are only admitted to the home if their primary need meets the conditions of registration and the care that can be provided, as outlined in the statement of purpose. The registered person must ensure that staff follow the strategies outlined in children’s plans to keep them safe.	
The care planning standard is that children— receive effectively planned care in or through the children’s home; and have a positive experience of arriving at or moving on from the home. In particular, the standard in paragraph (1) requires the registered person to ensure— that children are admitted to the home only if their needs are within the range of needs of children for whom it is intended that the home is to provide care and accommodation, as set out in the home’s statement of purpose. (Regulation 14 (1)(a)(b) (2)(a))	5 May 2026
The registered person must maintain records (“case records”) for each child which— are kept up to date. (Regulation 36 (1)(b)) Specifically, the registered person must ensure that children’s records are accurately recorded. Additionally, the registered person must ensure that all consequences implemented are recorded.	5 May 2026

Children's home details

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Inspector

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