

SC457183

Registered provider: Cambian Childcare Limited

Full 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 experience social and emotional difficulties.

The manager registered with Ofsted in February 2026.

Inspection dates: 29 and 30 April 2026

Overall experiences and progress of children and young people, taking into account	good
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How well children and young people are helped and protected	good
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The effectiveness of leaders and managers	good
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The children's home provides effective services that meet the requirements for good.

Date of last inspection: 14 October 2025

Overall judgement at last inspection: good

Enforcement action since last inspection: none

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
14/10/2025	Full	Good
17/09/2024	Full	Requires improvement to be good
04/05/2021	Full	Inadequate
04/12/2019	Full	Good

Summary of findings

The manager and team provide good-quality care to the child living in the home. The child is settled and making good progress.

The child is cared for by a team of staff who have the skills and knowledge to build meaningful relationships and implement positive change for the child and promote the child's welfare.

Inspection judgements

Overall experiences and progress of children and young people: good

The staff team has built resilient and trusting relationships with the child living in the home. Staff have remained consistent in their approach have completed meaningful and in-depth sessions with the child around relevant topics. This has resulted in the child feeling safe. Subsequently, the child has made good progress in all areas.

Staff support the child well to access education. The child is not currently accessing full-time education. However, they are engaging with tutoring in the home and making progress. The management team has made a proactive attempt to identify an educational setting for the child and has implemented an appropriate educational plan until a placement is confirmed.

Staff support the child to maintain a healthy lifestyle through taking part in activities and menu planning. The team supports the child to attend relevant appointments with the GP and opticians. Staff encourage the child to attend dental appointments. However, this has not been effective.

The team promotes and supports the child to spend time with their family. Staff advocate for family time to take place in settings that are appropriate for all involved and have advocated for the child to have time with a younger sibling, who they can currently only communicate with via letters.

How well children and young people are helped and protected: good

Safeguarding practice in the home is effective. There are clear risk assessments in place, which contain strategies for staff to follow to reduce incidents and that keep the child safe when incidents happen. The staff team is knowledgeable of how to implement strategies and does this consistently.

There have been no incidents of physical intervention. Staff are able to manage the behaviours of the child well and use effective strategies to de-escalate situations when needed. There are fair and proportionate consequences in place for negative behaviours and positive behaviour is praised by the team.

There is a real strength in the team for building relationships with the child. This helps staff to address challenging behaviour in a way that works with children and ensures that boundaries are respected. The team is consistent in its approach to behaviour management.

Safer recruitment processes are in place. The manager has supported staff who have been part of disciplinary processes to reintegrate to work safely. This has included the member of staff completing additional training and working alongside experienced staff. This has ensured the safety of the child.

The team has a good understanding of online safety. There are safety measures in place to ensure that the child cannot access inappropriate material when using their devices. Staff complete daily checks of the child's devices and they are knowledgeable of what to look for.

The effectiveness of leaders and managers: good

There is a suitably experienced, qualified and skilled registered manager in the home. The registered manager and deputy manager provide unified and supportive leadership to the team. They have established an environment in which staff feel valued, and where the needs of the child are prioritised.

Staff know the child well and speak about them with warmth and sensitivity. The management team has a clear and ambitious vision for the continued development of the home, including the home environment, staff team and the quality of care provided to children.

Staff say that they feel valued, supported and listened to. Team meetings are held regularly and provide opportunities for staff to contribute to the development of the home. The child's views, wishes and feelings are consistently incorporated into these meetings. Supervision takes place at appropriate intervals for both less experienced and experienced staff. Staff work effectively as a team and promote a culture of trust and collaboration.

Professional relationships with partner agencies are strong. Communication is effective and maintains a clear focus on achieving positive outcomes for children. Feedback from external professionals is positive and they speak highly of staffs and manager's abilities to build relationships. In particular, feedback included that the team will advocate for the child when they struggle to advocate for themselves.

When concerns arise, the management team appropriately challenges other professionals. Escalation procedures are used when necessary to ensure that children's best interests are promoted. Staff advocate effectively for children and support them to have their voices heard.

However, the home is not currently maintained to the expected standard. There are outstanding maintenance issues, and the environment lacks the personal touches required to create a warm and homely setting.

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 quality and purpose of care standard is that children receive care from staff who— ensure that the premises used for the purposes of the home are designed and furnished so as to— meet the needs of each child; and enable each child to participate in the daily life of the home. (Regulation 6 (1)(c)(i)(ii)) Specifically, that the registered manager must ensure that the house is decorated and maintained to provide a homely environment to the child living in it.	11 June 2026

Recommendation

- The registered manager should continue to be proactive in ensuring that the child attends their outstanding dental appointment, to ensure that they are meeting the child's health needs to the standard expected. ('Guide to the Children's Homes Regulations, including the quality standards', page 34, paragraph 7.11)

Information about this inspection

Inspectors have looked closely at the experiences and progress of children and young people, using the social care common inspection framework. This 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'.

Children's home details

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