

Compliance action taken for childcare provision

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Summary of outcome

All early years providers must meet the legal requirements in the Statutory framework for the early years foundation stage, which you can find at www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-foundation-stage-framework--2. If we find that a provider is not meeting the requirements, we can take action to ensure they put matters right.

On 4 December 2024, we received concerns that the provider was not meeting requirements relating to security of the premises and the supervision of children, whereby a child was able to leave the premises unsupervised. We also received a notification from the provider about the same matter on the same day. The notification means that the provider met their legal responsibility as set out in the Statutory framework for the early years foundation stage to notify Ofsted of significant events.

On 12 December 2024, we carried out a regulatory visit. We found the provider was not meeting some of the requirements and had taken action to put this right. The provider has improved security of the premises and the procedures at collection times to make sure children are appropriately supervised and cannot leave the premises without an adult being aware. However, we found that the provider did not inform safeguarding partners of the incident and have issued an action for the provider to take.

Action needed by 19 December 2024:

- develop a greater understanding of the role of the local authority designated officer and the referral process when concerns are raised about staff.

On 13 December 2024, the provider responded to the action set. We found that the provider had improved their knowledge and understanding of the role of the local authority designated officer and the steps to take when concerns are raised about staff. The information gathered suggests that the provider is now meeting the requirements of their registration. We are satisfied the provider has met the safeguarding and welfare action raised. The provider will be able to give parents further information about this. The provider is still registered with Ofsted.

Publication of compliance action

We aim to ensure that the welfare of children and young people is protected in the services

we regulate. The Childcare Act 2006 and accompanying regulations set out our responsibilities to regulate childminders and childcare providers. This includes the enforcement powers we have in relation to those registered providers who do not comply with the requirements for registration.

We publish details of any actions we take, or the childminder or childcare provider takes to bring about compliance with requirements on our website for a period of five years.

For further information please read the Early years compliance handbook which can be found here at www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-provider-non-compliance-action-by-ofsted.