

Inspection report for early years provision

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Introduction

This inspection was carried out by Ofsted under Sections 49 and 50 of the Childcare Act 2006 on the quality and standards of the registered early years provision. 'Early years provision' refers to provision regulated by Ofsted for children from birth to 31 August following their fifth birthday (the early years age group). The registered person must ensure that this provision complies with the statutory framework for children's learning, development and welfare, known as the *Early Years Foundation Stage*.

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The setting also makes provision for children older than the early years age group which is registered on the voluntary and/or compulsory part(s) of the Childcare Register. This report does not include an evaluation of that provision, but a comment about compliance with the requirements of the Childcare Register is included in Annex B.

There were no children on roll when this inspection took place. The findings in this report are based on evidence gathered from discussions with those who care for the children and an inspection of the premises, equipment and relevant documentation. Where there are no children on roll, no judgement is made on the quality of the early years provision as there is no reliable evidence on which to assess its impact on children. The report states if the provider continues to meet the requirements of registration.

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Description of the childminding

The childminder was registered in 1993. She lives with her husband in Highams Park in the London Borough of Waltham Forest. The whole of the ground floor, two bedrooms and the bathroom on the first floor are used for childminding. There is a fully enclosed garden for outside play.

The childminder is registered to care for a maximum of five children under eight years; of these, not more than three maybe under five years, and of these, one may be under one year at any one time. At the time of the inspection there were no children on roll in the early years age group. The childminder is registered on the Early Years Register, the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register. The childminder walks to local schools to take and collect children. The childminder is a member of an approved childminding network. The family has a dog and a cat.

The overall effectiveness of the early years provision

The childminder has the knowledge to promote children's welfare and ensure there are safeguarding procedures satisfactorily in place. The childminder does meet all the requirements for the Early Years Foundation Stage. All aspects of safety are promoted. Documentation includes parent's permission for seeking emergency medical treatment or for recording all accidents, or injuries sustained by children. Regular risk assessments of the home, garden, outings and the childminder's car used for transporting children are in place. This allows for the childminder addressing any potential risks. Valid public liability insurance is in place, documentation records any medication administered and children's attendance. The childminder is trained in current first aid and food hygiene practice to support children's health. The childminder is confident in implementing her knowledge of the Early Years Foundation Stage framework, for children's learning and development. She is aware of all six areas of learning. She has a good range of resources organised for supporting this in the home and through the use of community facilities. Systems for assessing children's learning and development are in place.

Appropriate systems are in place to work in partnership with parents; this includes the sharing of a full range of policies and procedures. Systems used for communication with parents are effective to keep a regular two-way flow of communication. She has systems in place to communicate with other settings the children may attend, to promote their learning. The childminder promotes an inclusive service for all. The childminder suitably meets the needs of the children and supports them so that no individual is disadvantaged. This is supported by her approach to valuing children as individuals and offering them positive experiences to identify with diversity. The childminder promotes positive behaviour, by using appropriate strategies to reflect children's individual age and understanding. Individual dietary needs are catered for, through the provision of healthy meals and snacks. The childminder takes appropriate action to address identified

weaknesses. For example, she uses self-evaluation and has successfully met the previous recommendation to enhance children's well-being. She continues to attend training that she identifies as relevant to improving her knowledge and service.

Compliance with registration requirements

The registered person continues to meet the requirements of registration.

Annex B: the Childcare Register

The provider confirms that the requirements of the compulsory part of the Childcare Register are: Met

The provider confirms that the requirements of the voluntary part of the Childcare Register are: Met