

## **Compliance action taken for childcare provision**

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### **Summary of outcome**

On 9 May 2014, the provider notified Ofsted that a child had left the setting unnoticed by staff and walked home unaccompanied. Ofsted investigated this significant incident and suspended the provider's registration on 16 May 2014 because we believed children may be at risk of harm. Suspension allows time for the provider to take steps to reduce or eliminate the risks of harm to children. We lifted the suspension on 30 May 2014 because the provider took appropriate action to deal with the matter that led to the suspension, and we were satisfied that there was no risk of harm to children as a result of this matter. At a further monitoring visit on the 3 June 2014, we identified additional actions the provider was required to meet.

We carried out an unannounced inspection on 17 June 2014 and found the provider was still not meeting safeguarding and welfare requirements. In particular, the requirements relating to implementing the safeguarding policy and procedures. The inspection found that children's safety was improved since the incident, and is now being maintained through implementation of a new arrival and departure process. However, the systems to ensure all staff understand and implement the nursery safeguarding policy and procedures are not adequate to protect children from harm.

Following our inspection, we served a welfare requirements notice on the provider that required them to ensure all staff clearly understand and implement the nursery safeguarding policy and procedures, particularly in relation to reporting concerns, to protect children from harm.

It is an offence for a person who, without reasonable excuse, fails to comply with a welfare requirements notice. Failure to comply may result in a prosecution. The provider remains 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 commencing on the date we complete our investigation.

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