

Compliance action taken for childcare provision

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Summary of outcome

On 30 January 2017, Ofsted received information that raised concerns about the nurseries' ability to meet the requirements W2.1 General suitable people matters, W3.1 Qualifications, W5.1 Ratios, W5.2 Child supervision, W5.3 Staff deployment, W7 Managing Behaviour and W8.4 Risk Assessment.

We do not investigate to prove or disprove a complaint but we look into the information that we receive to see if the registered provider is meeting the legal requirements of the early years foundation stage.

On 13 February 2017, Ofsted carried out an unannounced visit to the nursery.

During the visit, we found that the nursery had carried out a full investigation and taken appropriate action regarding an allegation made against a member of staff.

However, the inspector found that the nursery had failed to share all relevant information with the designated officer for Lancashire. This is a breach to the requirement W1.1 Safeguarding practice. In addition, the nursery was in breach of the requirement W10.6 Changes that must be notified to Ofsted.

As a result, a notice to improve was issued asking the nominated person to:

ensure that allegations about members of staff are reported to the appropriate agencies to help keep children safe from harm.

On 21 February 2017, the provider wrote to Ofsted to tell us that they had addressed the action raised. For example, the provider had re-trained all staff in the nurseries' safeguarding policy. Compliance with this will be checked at

the next full inspection. At this stage, 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.

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 .