

Compliance action taken for childcare provision

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Summary of outcome

On 18 May 2017, we received a notification from the provider relating to an incident involving security of the premises. The notification means that the provider met their legal responsibility, as set out in the early years foundation stage welfare requirements, to notify Ofsted of significant events. We needed to check that the provider was meeting requirements of the early years foundation stage; in particular, the requirements relating to: safeguarding practice; safeguarding policy; general suitable people matters; training, support and skills; child supervision; premises; risk assessment; information for parents and carers, and changes that must be notified to Ofsted.

On 6 June 2017, we carried out an unannounced visit to the nursery. We found that there had been an incident in the garden where children were not adequately supervised. Since then, a full internal investigation has been conducted by the provider. New procedures have been implemented to ensure staff supervise children closely when playing in the garden. New gate locks have been purchased and installed in the garden. Parents are being informed about changes being made within the nursery to protect children. Staff have an adequate understanding of safeguarding but they do not always minimise all risks to children as cleaning materials and electrical leads were left accessible to them inside the nursery. Although not related to the original concerns, we found that not all equipment is checked and replaced when it is damaged, which has a negative impact on the children's welfare. Following our visit, we sent the provider a notice to improve that asked them to:

ensure risk assessment is rigorously carried out to provide a safe environment for children;

ensure equipment used for nappy changing is suitable for use.

The provider has reviewed practice and reminded staff of their responsibilities to keep children safe. New nappy mats have been purchased, with additional

mats stored for use when needed. 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 .