

Madina-tul-Uloom Al Islamic College

Butts Lane, Stone, Kidderminster, Worcestershire DY10 4BH

Inspection date

22/11/2018

Context of the inspection

Ofsted carried out a monitoring visit after it received a concern relating to the young people's health needs not being adequately met by the boarding provision.

There were two parts to the concern:

- Young people were being accompanied to medical appointments, including a hospital admission, by older students.
- Young people were not registered as patients on a permanent basis at the local GP surgery near to the boarding school.

This concern was also raised directly with the boarding school, which used this opportunity to revisit its practice.

Young people were being accompanied to the GP surgery by students aged over 18, who had undergone safety checks, and with parents' written consent. However, after seeking guidance from the local authority, this practice has changed and written policies and procedures have been updated. Policies and procedures now show that staff will accompany young people to medical appointments, and health records show that this happens.

Although young people are registered as temporary patients with the boarding school's local GP surgery, staff are in the process of registering all young people as permanent patients. The boarding school staff have been mindful of a young person's parents' right to choose whether this should happen. Registration has been a complex task, due to language barriers and the geographical distance of some parents from the school. The boarding school staff have recognised some of the complexities involved and are giving support to parents over the phone. This is helping to move this task forward.

Inspection team

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Information about this school

Madinatul Uloom Al Islamiya is an independent Islamic boarding school for boys which is dedicated to providing Islamic as well as secular education. Opened in 1992, it has a 22-acre rural site four miles south-east of Kidderminster. All teaching blocks and residential accommodation are set within the college campus. Students are allocated to boarding hostels according to their age group. There are currently 208 students on roll, aged from 12 to 24. There are no students with learning difficulties and/or disabilities and none at an early stage of acquiring English. Madinatul Uloom aims 'to educate the students and instil in them the teachings of the Holy Qur'an and practices of our Holy Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) as well as other arts and sciences. It also strives to promote and cultivate good behaviour, morals, mutual respect and tolerance. This in turn creates a friendly, caring and motivated environment.' This inspection focused on those students under 18 years old who lived in three of the four boarding houses. The school was last inspected in February 2018.

School details

Unique reference number	117044
Social care unique reference number	SC043039
DfE registration number	885 6031

This inspection was carried out under the Children Act 1989, as amended by the Care Standards Act 2000, having regard to the national minimum standards for boarding schools.

The inspection was conducted at the request of the Registration Authority for independent schools in order to monitor the progress the school has made in implementing its action plan following the previous inspection.

Type of school	Boarding school
Number of boarders on roll	208
Gender of boarders	Boys
Age range of boarders	11 to 24
Headteacher	Abdullah Memi
Date of previous boarding inspection	06/02/2018
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