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Our Reference 143846

Outcome of monitoring visit for provision judged as inadequate

An Ofsted inspector, Elizabeth Juon, carried out a monitoring visit of your provision on 11/11/2009. This visit follows on from your inspection where the provision was judged to be inadequate.

Outcome of the visit

As a result of our inspection on 22/09/2009, we sent you a welfare requirements notice.

In addition to the welfare requirements notice you were also issued a notice to improve. The welfare requirements notice required you to obtain parental permission for each medicine given to children and to seek emergency medical treatment; to maintain a record of all medicines administered and a full and complete record of children's personal details. The notice to improve required you to devise and implement an effective safeguarding children's policy, a full risk assessment for the premises and outings, a complaints procedure and an evacuation procedure; ensure criminal record bureau checks are carried out for all the household over 16; keep records of children's medical conditions and their times of attendance; plan and provide experiences and undertake observational assessment to meet children's individual needs.

Having considered all the evidence, the inspector is of the opinion that at this time you are making satisfactory improvement overall.

To further improve the early years provision the registered person should:

- ensure the safeguarding children policy and procedure complies with the procedures of the Local Safeguarding Children's Board (LSCB) (Safeguarding and promoting children's welfare) - also applies to both parts of the Childcare Register 11/02/2010
- ensure that Criminal Record Bureau (CRB) checks are carried out for any household member over the age of 16 by completing the appropriate forms and sending them to 11/02/2010

the regulator, Ofsted (Suitable people) - also applies to both parts of the Childcare Register

- gain knowledge and understanding of the Early Years Foundation Stage learning and development requirements so that children are provided with an educational programme that will enable them to make progress towards the early learning goals in all areas of learning (Early learning goals)

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Overall effectiveness of the improvement and outcomes for children

On 11 November 2009 we conducted a second monitoring visit and found the childminder had continued to make some improvement. The childminder has gathered sufficient information on children's medical requirements, has completed a full risk assessment of the premises and for outings and is recording children's attendance. These measures safeguard children's safety and welfare. However, the safeguarding policy and procedure put in to place does not adhere to the current procedure of the Local Safeguarding Children's Board; the member of the childminder's household aged over 16 has still to undergo the vetting procedure on their return to the setting after 09 December 2009. These will remain as actions to improve. The childminder has yet to obtain prior parental permission to administer medicine and this remain an outstanding welfare requirement. The childminder has begun to plan to provide activities to meet children's needs and to carry out observations to monitor children's progress and development. A training session has been booked for January 2010 to improve the childminder's knowledge of the Early Years Learning and Development Requirements. This will remain an action to improve until the course is completed.

The next visit will be a monitoring visit to assess the childminder's progress in completing the remaining actions set out in a re-issued notice to improve.

Next steps

Having considered all the evidence the inspector is of the opinion that at this time:

- The childminder has made satisfactory progress in addressing the points for improvement. The next visit will be a further monitoring visit.

I hope that you have found the visit helpful in promoting improvement in your childminding service. If you have any further queries please contact us on the number at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sheila Brown".

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