

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

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### **Summary of outcome**

On 17 June 2011, we received a notification from the provider that raised concerns about the Safeguarding policy, the designated safeguarding practitioner and the Behaviour Management policy. We needed to investigate the concern to see whether the setting was meeting the Early Years Foundation Stage welfare requirements relating to 'safeguarding and promoting children's welfare'. In particular, these include a requirement that states that an effective safeguarding children policy and procedure must be implemented. This must include the procedure to be followed in the event of an allegation being made against a member of staff. The provider must ensure that all members of staff understand the safeguarding policy and procedure. In addition these include a requirement that states that all providers must notify any child protection agency (usually local children's services or the police) previously identified by the Local Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB), without delay, of allegations of abuse. In addition these include a requirement that states a practitioner must be designated to take lead responsibility for safeguarding children within the setting and liaising with local statutory children's services agencies as appropriate. They must also attend a child protection training course. In addition these include a requirement that states children's behaviour must be managed effectively and in a manner appropriate for their stage of development and particular individual needs.

We carried out an unannounced visit to the premises and made the provider aware of our concerns. On the day of the visit it was observed that staff were attentive to the children and provided plenty of encouragement and support in line with the behaviour management policy. In addition, the provider had looked into matters contained in the information and provided us with a response so that they continue to meet the requirements of registration. The provider told us what they have done to put it right. As a result, we decided it was not necessary for us to take further action.

The provider took action to meet with the requirements of registration by:

Implemented an updated safeguarding procedure that is in line with the Local Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB). Including direct contact numbers to local child protection agencies to enable notification without delay. (The Early Years Foundation Stage General Welfare Requirements - Safeguarding and promoting children's welfare; and Suitable people

Providing a practitioner who is designated to take lead responsibility for safeguarding children within the setting and to liaise with local statutory children's services. The practitioner has completed recent child protection training and is aware of the specific legal requirements in order to safeguard and promote the welfare of children. (The Early Years Foundation Stage General Welfare Requirements - Safeguarding and promoting children's welfare; and Suitable people)

Including a whistle blowing policy in the induction of newly recruited staff and for existing staff. In order to enable staff to feel secure and safe in raising any practice issues or concerns. (The Early Years Foundation Stage General Welfare Requirements - Safeguarding and promoting children's welfare; and Suitable people)

We are satisfied with the action taken by the provider and no further action was required. 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.

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