

1280237

Registered provider: United Children's Services Limited

Interim inspection

Inspected under the social care common inspection framework

Information about this children's home

The home is run by a private provider. It was registered in October 2018, initially to provide short-break services for children who have learning disabilities and/or emotional and/or behavioural difficulties. However, the organisation applied for a variation in August 2019 which was approved. The home is now registered to provide care and accommodation for up to three children who have emotional and/or behavioural difficulties.

Inspection date: 10 October 2019

Judgement at last inspection: Not applicable

Date of last inspection: N/A

Enforcement action since last inspection: None

This inspection

The effectiveness of the home and the progress and experiences of children and young people since the most recent full inspection

This home has not yet had a full inspection.
At this interim inspection the home was 'not judged'.

This inspection focuses on whether the children's home meets the statutory requirements in order to maintain its registration and is ready to accept placements.

The home's statement of purpose has been revised to reflect the change in registration conditions. The premises remain fit for purpose and the home is ready to admit children. Regular health and safety checks are carried out as required, as are the monthly visits by the independent visitor.

However, the organisation is in the process of recruiting more staff. Staff already recruited are gaining valuable experience by working in the organisation's other

children's homes. The provider has agreed in writing with Ofsted not to admit any children until it has a full staff complement. The provider has agreed to inform Ofsted of its intention to admit children.

The home did provide some short-break services for three children for a very short period. Records reviewed did not raise any concerns about the care provided.

There are no requirements or recommendations.

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
N/A	N/A	N/A

Information about this inspection

Inspectors have looked closely at the experiences and progress of children and young people. Inspectors considered the quality of work and the differences made to the lives of children and young people. They watched how professional staff work with children and young people and each other and discussed the effectiveness of help and care provided. Wherever possible, they talked to children and young people and their families. In addition, the inspectors have tried to understand what the children's home knows about how well it is performing, how well it is doing and what difference it is making for the children and young people whom it is trying to help, protect and look after.

This inspection focused on the effectiveness of the home and the progress and experiences of children and young people since the most recent full inspection.

Using the 'Social care common inspection framework', this inspection was carried out under the Care Standards Act 2000 to assess the effectiveness of the service, how it meets the core functions of the service as set out in legislation, and to consider how well it complies with the Children's Homes (England) Regulations 2015 and the 'Guide to the children's homes regulations including the quality standards'.

Children's home details

Unique reference number: 1280237

Provision sub-type: Children's home

Registered provider: United Children's Services Limited

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Inspector

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