

MANAGEMENT PLAN

Children's Care Home

18 Worthing St, Rusholme, Manchester M14 7PR

• How many children would be accommodated?

Only for a single child

• What is the ratio of staff to children that is required?

There would be two carers, 24 hours a day

• What is the likely level of need of the children accommodated?

This can vary. Ofsted must approve the suitability of the home for a particular child.

• What is the likely shift pattern of staff, i.e. how many staff (management and care staff) would likely be at the premises at any one time and when would shift changes occur?

The staff would work on 48 hour shifts, with only one member of staff changing each day, usually around 9.30am

• What support officers would be likely to visit the property?

No other social workers or clinicians would normally visit the home. In addition to Ofsted's one visit per year, there will be one visit by local social services each month and one Regulation 44 visit per month. All other professional or clinical appointments and meetings would take place away from the home.

• How would visits be scheduled and would staff/support-worker meetings take place at the property?

Support workers meetings would not be held on site. Any visits would be programmed in advance.

• If residents are unable to participate in full-time, mainstream education, what educational support would be offered on-site?

If required, home tutoring can be arranged but this is carried out on line, supported by the carers.

• Would therapeutic care be offered on site?

No, such care would involve visits to clinicians at their own premises.

• Would case reviews take place on or off site?

Off site

• **Are friends and relatives of residents able to visit at any time?**

Any contact with family members usually takes place away from the home. Any other visits would be scheduled in advance.

• **Will the property be OFSTED registered?**

Yes

• **Are children ever left alone at the property?**

No

• **Under what circumstances are children allowed to leave the property?**

They would be taken on activities weekly, such as the park, trampolining, outdoor pursuits, sports clubs etc. If our young person was permitted local time in the community i.e., old enough to play / visit friends in the local community then this would be risk assessed and granted like any other child. However, as we predominately house young children they would not be permitted alone time in the local community unless supervised for their own safety, again like any other child / young person

• **Would staff members be informed/aware if a child left the property?**

The Manager and Staff know exactly when a child is in or out of the property at all times. We have strict and well ingrained policies, procedures and protocols for all of operational matters that are uniform across the board.

• **Is there a curfew?**

Yes there are curfews for all of our young people and their care plan (age, needs etc.) the curfew will vary. Dependant on the age of the child and their care plan. They may be allowed independent time in the community, if so they will have a time to be in by and staff will keep in contact through mobile phones and spot checks if needed. Curfews are centred around each young person dependant on age and their level of risk. Same for bedtimes again centred around young person. Respectful boundaries with regards to noise levels.

• **What would happen in the event of a breach of curfew?**

All of our young people have a bedtime curfew, again dependent on age and care plan. They will have a set bedtime. Our children are permitted to have their TV on low in the background to fall asleep or a little night light. Staff go to bed at 11 when everyone is settled. If curfews are breached then the child will have an individual risk assessment that staff follow and missing from home protocols. Police and EDT will be contacted to let them know and for assistance if needed as the kids may be vulnerable in the community. If we had a persistent kid going missing and we couldn't meet their needs then notice may have to be given to end placement. But due to the age and needs of our children, missing from home is unlikely in our setup.

• **What security provisions are proposed, e.g. security and access controls on doors?**

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• **Would CCTV be installed?**

Yes

• **How would local residents know how to raise a concern in the event of an issue?**

We share our (i) Good Neighbour Policy and (ii) Complaints Procedure online and with our Neighbours. The Manager and Staff will visit all neighbours prior to occupation of the Home to introduce themselves and provide our brochure, procedures mentioned and contact numbers. The Management Team are contactable 24 / 7 and will ensure Neighbour happiness and contentless are met at all times. However, our children are not disruptive and like children who are not in care, live the same lifestyle. This property will function exactly like a family home. The children get up of a morning, have breakfast, go to school, come home have their tea, do their homework, play games / games console, shower and go to bed. At weekends they will be doing outdoor activities and clubs – this is a standard family home setup.