

# Care UK Community Partnerships Ltd

# Mountfitchet House

## Inspection report

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## Ratings

Overall rating for this service

Inspected but not rated

Is the service safe?

**Inspected but not rated**

# Summary of findings

## Overall summary

Mountfitchet House provides accommodation with personal and nursing care for up to 60 older people including people living with dementia. Care is provided in four separate units, across two floors.

We found the following examples of good practice.

The provider had assigned one member of staff the role of infection prevention and control champion for the service. The member of staff told us they were responsible for completing infection prevention and control audits, monitoring Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) stock levels and ensuring up to date guidance and information was available to all staff.

There was clear signage at the entrance to the service and throughout the building alerting staff and visitors to the outbreak and providing relevant infection prevention and control information.

The provider had increased the frequency of cleaning throughout the service, with particular emphasis on high touch areas such as door handles and light switches

A free standing visitor's pod was being built in the grounds of the service to provide a separate space for people to safely meet with their relatives in the future.

## The five questions we ask about services and what we found

We always ask the following five questions of services.

### **Is the service safe?**

Further information is in the detailed findings below.

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## **Detailed findings**

### Background to this inspection

We carried out this inspection under Section 60 of the Health and Social Care Act 2008 as part of our regulatory functions. This inspection was planned to check whether the provider is meeting the legal requirements and regulations associated with the Health and Social Care Act 2008.

As part of CQC's response to care homes with outbreaks of coronavirus, we are conducting reviews to ensure that the Infection Prevention and Control practice was safe and the service was compliant with IPC measures. This was a targeted inspection looking at the IPC practices the provider has in place.

This inspection took place on 12 January 2021 and was announced.

# Is the service safe?

## Our findings

How well are people protected by the prevention and control of infection?

- We were assured that the provider was preventing visitors from catching and spreading infections.
- We were assured that the provider was meeting shielding and social distancing rules.
- We were assured that the provider was admitting people safely to the service.
- We were assured that the provider was using PPE effectively and safely.
- We were assured that the provider was accessing testing for people using the service and staff.
- We were assured that the provider was promoting safety through the layout and hygiene practices of the premises.
- We were assured that the provider was making sure infection outbreaks can be effectively prevented or managed.
- We were assured that the provider's infection prevention and control policy was up to date.