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The Lawns Care Home

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

About the service

The Lawns Care Home is registered to provide personal care and accommodation to up to 28 people, ncluding older persons and people living with dementia. There were 11 people living at the service at the time of inspection.

We found the following examples of good practice:

Visitors had to undergo a temperature check, a range of relevant questions, and a rapid flow test before entry. A room at the rear of the service had been repurposed to allow for relatives to visit people in a safe space.

Other rooms had been repurposed to ensure there was a designated space for staff testing and staff changing.

The service had ample PPE, handwashing facilities and infection control signage.

The registered manager, housekeeping team and care staff worked together to ensure the service was clean.

The service was an older building with narrow corridors, so social distancing was not always possible. Communal living spaces had however been adapted to ensure social distancing was practiced, where practicable.

The five questions we ask about services and what we found

We always ask the following five questions of services.

Is the service safe?	Inspected but not rated
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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 the COVID-19 pandemic we are looking at the preparedness of care homes in relation to infection prevention and control. This was a targeted inspection looking at the infection control and prevention measures the provider has in place.

This inspection took place on 18 March 2021 and was announced.

Is the service safe?

Our findings

S5☐ 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.