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# Barton Lodge

## 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

Barton Lodge provides care and accommodation for up to 45 older people who are physically frail or may be living with dementia.

We found the following examples of good practice

Visitors were screened, temperature taken, a brief questionnaire completed and hand sanitiser used before being allowed to enter. Visits were organised by appointment only and hourly slots allowed time in between visits to clean and make ready for the next visitor. Regular newsletters were sent out which included guidance on compliance with infection control procedures when visiting.

Temperature screening and Covid 19 testing of people and staff took place in line with government guidance. An isolation wing had been created for anyone with confirmed or suspected Covid 19 who were then isolated in their rooms for 14 days. The home was Covid 19 free at the time of inspection.

'At risk' staff, such as those with health conditions or from high risk groups, were supported to shield. The registered manager had moved in to the home early on in the pandemic to support staff. Staff had received external training and wore appropriate PPE including facemasks and visors. They understood the process of safe donning and doffing of PPE in line with government guidance.

The provider had been pro-active and created an audit tool from our IPC inspection tool. This had been completed and actions identified to further improve infection, prevention and control within the home. Many actions had already been completed.

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

We always ask the following five questions of services.

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

We were assured the service was following safe infection prevention and control procedures to keep people safe.

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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.

This was a targeted inspection looking at the infection control and prevention measures the provider has in place. As part of CQC's response to the coronavirus pandemic we are conducting a thematic review of infection control and prevention measures in care homes.

This inspection took place on 25 August 2020 and was announced. The service was selected to take part in this thematic review which is seeking to identify examples of good practice in infection prevention and control.

# 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.