

Sherburn House Charity Beddell 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

Beddell House is a 'care home'. People in care homes receive accommodation and nursing or personal care as single package under one contractual agreement. CQC regulates both the premises and the care provided, and both were looked at during this inspection. Beddell House provides accommodation for up to 60 people who require support with personal care, some of whom are living with dementia. 35 people were using the service at the time of the inspection.

We found the following examples of good practice:

• Systems were in place to prevent people, staff and visitors from catching and spreading infections. All visitors had to wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE), complete a health declaration form and had their temperature checked prior to entering the home. Additional cleaning of all areas and frequent touch surfaces was being carried out.

• The provider was following national guidance for anyone moving into the home. Staff worked closely with healthcare professionals to ensure appropriate and safe admissions procedures were being followed and external visits such as hospital appointments were assessed and well planned.

• Staff supported people's social and emotional wellbeing. The registered manager told us how people living at the service were resilient and were very engaged with updates about Covid-19. The service had used different methods including whiteboards to assist communication with staff wearing face masks. The provider and staff kept family members up to date about the latest guidance and their relative's health via regular telephone calls, letters and social media.

• Staff wellbeing was a priority and the provider and registered manager ensured staff received appropriate guidance and support. All staff, including catering and housekeeping staff had undertaken additional training in infection prevention and control. This included putting on and taking off PPE, hand hygiene and other Covid-19 related training.

• The registered manager explained the quality systems they had in place to check the service was providing safe care. There was a robust communication system on place to ensure staff received consistent updates in relation to infection control policy and practice.

Further information is in the detailed findings below.

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 were following safe infection prevention and control procedures to keep people safe.

Inspected but not rated



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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 20 October 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.