

# Briarlea Care & Supported Living Limited

# Briarlea 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

Briarlea is a care home providing personal care and accommodation for up to 31 older people, including people who are living with dementia. At the time of the inspection, 18 people lived at the home.

We found the following examples of good practice.

- All staff and visitors to the service had their temperature taken on arrival and were provided with Personal Protective Equipment to wear.
- A visiting pod was in place, which was accessible through the garden and could only be used through an appointment system.
- People were supported to access particular communal areas in their 'bubbles' at specified times during the day, in order to reduce the risk of the spread of infection.
- Families had been supported to keep in touch with their loved ones in a variety of ways including window visits, video and phone calls. Information had been shared with families outlining plans to carry out visits in line with the latest Government guidance.
- All staff had a role in maintaining cleanliness in the home and in recognition of these additional responsibilities, staffing levels had been increased.
- Positive relationships were in place with local GPs and healthcare professionals who provided additional support and guidance where required.

## 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 the coronavirus 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 10 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.