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BarDen 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

BarDen House is a residential care home providing personal care to 10 people who have mental health needs. The service can support up to 10 people in one adapted building. The home has a communal lounge, a dining area, and a secure garden.

We found the following examples of good practice.

The provider had been proactive in identifying the risks from COVID-19. They had taken prompt steps to protect people. This had included the early introduction of restrictions on visitors to the service. They had also purchased additional personal protective equipment, (PPE), before the national disruption of supplies.

The provider had established links with other care homes in the area to share stocks of PPE. This helped to maintain a safe community.

The provider gave people who lived in the home clear guidance about maintaining their safety during the pandemic. People were supported to follow good hand hygiene procedures and to maintain social distancing.

The provider had supported people to maintain relationships that were important to them. They had used technology to support people to contact their families and followed local guidance about reintroducing visiting safely.

The provider had a dynamic risk assessment to ensure people were protected from the risk of infection while taking account of individuals' needs.

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.

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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 19 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

- 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 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.

We have also signposted the provider to resources to develop their approach.