

Hometrust Care Limited

Carlisle Dementia Centre - Parkfield

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

Carlisle Dementia Centre – Parkfield is a care home providing personal care and nursing care for up to 44 people, some of whom may be living with dementia or physical disabilities. The provider had 12 bedrooms which they had intended to use in a designated area to accommodate people discharged from hospital. Following the inspection, the provider informed us they were not proceeding with their proposal to provide a designated service.

We found the following examples of good practice.

- The provider had identified a self-contained unit within the home to be the designated area. The unit had 12 single beds all with en-suite facilities.
- There was a separate entrance into this unit so access to this area was safe and did not affect the rest of the home.
- The provider had fitted air purifying units in all bedrooms and the lounge to sterilise the air.
- The designated unit was clean. The provider had arranged for additional cleaning to take place, including surfaces that were frequently touched.
- A dedicated staff team were employed to work in the unit. They would be led by a unit manager and nurses. The staff team would not work anywhere else in the home during the use of this unit. This helped to minimise the risk of cross infection.
- The provider had enough supplies of appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) such as gloves, aprons and masks. All staff had been trained and checked as competent in how and when to wear the PPE correctly. There were PPE stations around the unit so they would be easily accessible by staff.
- The provider had up to date infection prevention and control policies and was following national guidance.

We were assured that this service met good infection prevention and control guidelines.

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.

The service had been identified for use by the Local Authority as a designated care setting in response to the Winter Plan for people discharged from hospital with a positive Covid-19 status. This targeted inspection was to ensure that the service was compliant with infection control and prevention measures. Following the inspection, the provider informed us they were not proceeding with their proposal to provide a designated service.

This inspection took place on 16 December 2020 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.