

Manderville Care Ltd

The Old Vicarage

Inspection report

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Overall summary

The Old Vicarage is a care home that provides nursing and personal care for up to 30 people, some of whom may be living with dementia. The building is a traditional Victorian vicarage that has been adapted for use as a care home. The accommodation is over two floors that are serviced by a passenger lift. There is level access into the home and ramped access to a sheltered garden.

At the last inspection of this care home, which was carried out on 19 and 20 November 2014, we found a shortfall in the premises that could present a significant risk to the people who lived there. This was because some of the upper floor windows did not have suitable window opening restrictors to help prevent falls from the windows. This was a breach of regulation 15 of the Health and Social Care Act 2008 (Regulated Activities) Regulations 2010, which corresponds to regulation 12 of the Health and Social Care Act 2008 (Regulated Activities) Regulations 2014.

After the inspection the provider wrote to us to say what they would do to meet legal requirements. We carried out an unannounced focused inspection to check whether the provider had followed their plan and to confirm that they now met the legal requirement. This report only covers our findings in relation to that requirement. You can read the report from our last comprehensive inspection, by selecting the 'all reports' link for The Old Vicarage on our website at www.cqc.org.uk.

The provider had a planned programme to make sure the right type of window restrictor would be fitted to all bedrooms windows on the upper floor before those rooms were occupied. During this inspection visit we found that work had been carried out to fit suitable window restrictors to bedroom which were in use. This meant the provider had met the assurances they had given in their action plan and were no longer in breach of the regulation.

Summary of findings

The five questions we ask about services and what we found

We always ask the following five questions of services.

Is the service safe?

The service was safe. Action had been taken to address the shortfall in the building to make sure it was a safe place for people to live.

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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, to look at the overall quality of the service, and to provide a rating for the service under the Care Act 2014.

We undertook an unannounced focused inspection of The Old Vicarage on 18 June 2015. This inspection was to check that improvements had been made to meet a legal requirement relating to the safety of the premises. We inspected the service against one of the five questions we ask about services: Is the service safe?

The inspection was undertaken by an adult social care inspector. During the inspection we spoke with the registered manager and looked around the building.

Is the service safe?

Our findings

At the last inspection of this home we found bedrooms on the upper floor were not fitted with a suitable type of window opening restrictor to help prevent falls from the windows. This was a breach of regulation 15 of the Health and Social Care Act 2008 (Regulated Activities) Regulations 2010, which corresponds to regulation 12 of the Health and Social Care Act 2008 (Regulated Activities) Regulations 2014.

We reviewed the action plan the provider sent to us following our comprehensive inspection in December 2014. We found the assurances the provider had given in the action plan in order to become compliant with the regulation had been met.

During this visit we looked around the building to check what actions had been made to address the potential risk to people's safety. We found all the upper floor bedrooms that were being used were fitted with suitable window opening restrictors. The provider had a planned programme to make sure other bedrooms (which were currently not in use) would also be fitted with the window opening restrictors before anyone moved into those rooms. This meant people were no longer at potential risk of falling from the windows.