

Lonsdale Midlands Limited

# Lonsdale Midlands Ltd - Walmley Road

## Inspection report

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## Ratings

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| Overall rating for this service | Inspected but not rated |
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| Is the service safe? | <b>Inspected but not rated</b> |
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# Summary of findings

## Overall summary

Walmley Road is a 'care home' for a maximum of four people who are living with a learning disability. People living at the care home receive accommodation and personal care. There were four people living at the home at the time of the inspection.

We found the following examples of good practice.

- ☐ Where people or staff had received a positive COVID-19 test, the provider followed national guidance for self-isolation.
- ☐ Personal protective equipment (PPE) and hand washing stations were available to staff and visitors throughout the home.
- ☐ A range of visitation options were available to allow people to keep in contact with family and friends.
- ☐ The arrangement of furniture and daily activities allowed people to remain socially distanced.

We were assured that this service met good infection prevention and control guidelines as a designated care setting.

## 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 COVID-19 pandemic we are looking at how services manage infection control and visiting arrangements. This was a targeted inspection looking at the infection prevention and control measures the provider had in place. We also asked the provider about any staffing pressures the service was experiencing and whether this was having an impact on the service.

This inspection took place on 12 January 2022 and was announced. We gave the service 24 hours' notice of the inspection.

# Is the service safe?

## Our findings

### Staffing

- The provider told us they had measures in place to mitigate the risks associated with COVID-19 related staff pressures.

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 the provider was facilitating visits for people living in the home in accordance with the current guidance.

From 11 November 2021 registered persons must make sure all care home workers and other professionals visiting the service are fully vaccinated against COVID-19, unless they have an exemption or there is an emergency.

- The service was meeting the requirement to ensure non-exempt staff and visiting professionals were vaccinated against COVID-19.