

# Strode Park Foundation For People With Disabilities

## Platters Farm Lodge

### Inspection report

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### Ratings

Overall rating for this service	Inspected but not rated
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Is the service safe?	Inspected but not rated
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# Summary of findings

## Overall summary

Platters Farm Lodge is a care home providing short and long term care for older people, younger adults and people with physical disabilities; and for people living with sensory impairments and dementia. Platters Farm Lodge is registered to provide accommodation and personal care for up to 43 people. There were 33 people living at Platters Farm Lodge at the time of the inspection.

The proposed area for the designated care setting was for up to two units supporting up to 20 people.

We found the following examples of good practice.

- The provider had plans in place to identify and allocate a dedicated team of staff to the designated area.
- There were separate entrances and exits to the designated care setting which meant that staff would be able to access the area separately and avoid other parts of the home. The provider had considered the impact to other areas of the home and how to reduce the risk of transmission.
- There were separate staff facilities including a separate shower and changing room that was under construction on the day of the inspection; and there was a separate staff break room which allowed for social distancing.
- The care home was participating in the weekly testing of staff for COVID-19.
- The communal areas in the designated care setting were large enough to enable people to follow social distancing 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?**

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

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.

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 review of infection control and prevention measures in care homes.

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 inspection was to ensure that the service was compliant with infection control and prevention measures.

This inspection took place on 23 October 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.