

# Pool Cottage Limited

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## 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

Pool Cottage is a residential care home that provides accommodation for older people who may be living with dementia for up to 17 people. At the time of the inspection 11 people were using the service.

The accommodation at Pool Cottage is across two floors, with communal spaces on the ground floor including a lounge and a dining room. The home is in the village of Melbourne within the grounds of Melbourne Hall.

We found the following examples of good practice.

- The home was following best practice guidance for visitors to the home. Information and guidance was given prior to visitors arrival. Personal Protective Equipment was available to reduce infection transmission.
- The home had a visiting pod for friends and family to visit people using the service in a secure way. There was a booking system to manage visits. The home had also installed a pergola in the garden for outside visits during summer months when national guidance allowed.
- The home had a planned testing process for staff and people using the service. All staff had a weekly testing regime and the people received a monthly test. Additional tests were available if they became symptomatic.
- The home completed monthly infection prevention and control audits. There was a risk assessment for Covid-19 which outlined any controls which had been put in place to prevent the risk along with actions. The plan outlined who was responsible for the actions and timeframes of when they needed to be completed.

## 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 the preparedness of care homes in relation to infection prevention and control. This was a targeted inspection looking at the infection control and prevention measures the provider has in place.

This inspection took place on 17 March 2021 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.