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Shrub End Lodge

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

Shrub End Lodge provides accommodation and personal care for up to six people with a learning disability. At the time of the inspection, six people were living in the service. The premises is a residential property in keeping with the other houses in the area.

We found the following examples of good practice:

The registered manager was following the government's guidance on whole home testing for people and staff.

Good infection prevention control practices had been implemented such as wearing masks. There was a good supply of PPE and hand sanitiser was available.

The registered manager had increased the frequency of cleaning in the service and implemented cleaning for high touch areas such as door handles and light switches.

Staff had received training on infection prevention.

There was clear guidance and signage in the service to help prompt staff to safely work whilst minimising the risk of spreading infection including effective hand washing.

People living in the service were encouraged to try and maintain social distancing.

People were encouraged to stay in regular contact with relatives through window visits.

The five questions we ask about services and what we found

We always ask the following five questions of services.

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 coronavirus 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 28 January 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.

We have also signposted the provider to resources to develop their approach.