

# Realmpark Health Care (Petworth) Limited

# Barlavington Manor

## 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

Barlavington Manor is a residential care home providing personal care for up to 57 people older people. People were living with a range of needs associated with older age and some people were living with dementia. There were 49 people living at the service on the day of our inspection

We found the following examples of good practice.

The provider had followed current guidance in relation to infection prevention and control (IPC). The service had an IPC champion who ensured staff maintained effective IPC measures and accessed current guidance.

The provider facilitated safe visiting arrangements; a variety of visiting areas were available. Visitors were requested to wear PPE and show proof of a negative lateral flow device (LFD) test prior to entering the service.

Staff had received training which included infection prevention and control, how to safely put on and take off personal protective equipment (PPE) and hand hygiene. Staff were observed to wear their PPE appropriately.

The registered manager had implemented enhanced cleaning schedules to incorporate regular cleaning of high touch areas and additional deep cleaning.

The registered manager told us they had been well supported by the provider. The registered manager belonged to local healthcare professional and management support groups to share ideas and provide mutual support.

## 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 19 February 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 that the provider's infection prevention and control policy was up to date.
- The provider facilitated visiting in line with government 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 Government has announced its intention to change the legal requirement for vaccination in care homes, but the service was meeting the current requirement to ensure non-exempt staff and visiting professionals were vaccinated against COVID-19.