

Leggart Terrace Service Care Home Service

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About the service

Leggart Terrace Service is a care home which is registered to provide care to eight adults. The provider is The Richmond Fellowship Scotland Limited. At the time of inspection seven people were living in the home.

The care home is comprised of two large domestic houses and is situated in a residential area on the outskirts of Aberdeen, with local amenities and public transport nearby.

The home's mission statement is 'to develop and deliver the best personal supports that listen to what you want and achieve what matters to you.' The service has been registered since 2003.

This was a focused inspection to evaluate how well people were being supported during the Covid-19 pandemic. We evaluated the service based on key areas that are vital to the support and wellbeing of people experiencing care during the pandemic.

This inspection was carried out by an inspector from the Care Inspectorate to follow up on requirements made at a previous inspection.

What people told us

People told us:

- "I like the new manager and the new bits in the house."
- "It's more quiet now."
- "We're doing more things, the staff play Swing Ball with me."
- "I'm going to join the gym."
- "I asked and I got to move bedrooms."

What the service has done to meet any requirements we made at or since the last inspection

Requirements

Requirement 1

The provider must ensure that people are listened to and taken seriously if they have a concern about their experience of the service.

By the 28th June 2021, the provider must improve the management of situations that may have caused harm or distress to people living in the service. In order to achieve this, the provider must adhere to the following:

- Identify training needs of the team in relation to Adult Support and Protection.
- Support the team to obtain training identified.
- Promote a culture of transparency and reflective practice.

This is in order to ensure that care and support is consistent with the Health and Social Care Standards which state that:

'I am listened to and taken seriously if I have a concern about the protection and safety of myself or others, with appropriate assessments and referrals made' (HSCS 3.22); and Regulation 15(a) of The Social Care and Social Work Improvement Scotland (Requirements for Care Services) Regulations 2011 (SSI 2011/2010).

This requirement was made on 12 May 2021.

Action taken on previous requirement

All staff have had refresher training in adult protection and should be able to use their knowledge if required. There has also been training and development in the area of Positive Behavioural Support. Staff said they appreciated it and understood ways that they can spot signs, and support people who are becoming anxious or withdrawn. This will lead to a safer and more secure home environment for people.

The office for the home had moved to an easily accessible location and the door was generally open so everyone feels part of all areas of the home. All people we spoke to said that the manager was readily available and liked to chat. This helped communication and ideas to develop naturally. People told us that they were enjoying house meetings. They told us of several examples where they had asked for something and it was sorted for them.

Reflective practice for staff was being promoted through a supervision and development system. This, coupled with the manager's relaxed availability, should allow spontaneous chat and reflection and maintain high standards of support and care.

Met - within timescales

Requirement 2

The provider must ensure that people live in a well managed home.

By 28th June 2021 the provider must improve the competence of the leadership and staff team. In order to achieve this the provider must ensure:

- A stable management and leadership team is in place.
- Robust quality assurance processes are adhered to.
- A culture of continuous improvement is established throughout the staff team.

This is in order to ensure that care and support is consistent with the Health and Social Care Standards which state that:

'I use a service and organisation that are well led and managed' (HSCS 4.23); and Regulation 4 (1) (a) of the Social Care and Social Work Improvement Scotland Regulations 2011.

This requirement was made on 12 May 2021.

Action taken on previous requirement

There was a temporary but long-term manager in the home and the situation with other senior positions was expected to be clarified within a few weeks. The Richmond Fellowship Scotland quality assurance systems had been implemented, with accurate recording and regular audits in all areas. This meant

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standards were monitored and could be raised immediately if there was a dip. The culture of conversation and role modelling, along with an extensive supervision and development system should maintain a culture of continuous improvement.

Met - within timescales

Requirement 3

The provider must ensure that people live in a home which is clean, tidy and well maintained.

By 28th June 2021, the provider must improve the cleanliness and maintenance of the home. In order to achieve this, the provider must adhere to the following:

- Complete, or have dates for completion of, the identified improvement works to the building.
- Implement a process of regular audits to ensure high standards are maintained and areas for improvement are identified and acted on.

This is in order to ensure that care and support is consistent with the Health and Social Care Standards which state that:

'I experience an environment that is well looked after with clean, tidy and well-maintained premises, furnishings and equipment' (HSCS 5.22); and Regulation 4 (1) (d) of The Social Care and Social Work Improvement Scotland (Requirements for Care Services) Regulations 2011 (SSI 2011/2010) and Regulation 10 (2) of The Social Care and Social Work Improvement Scotland (Requirements for Care Services) Regulations 2011 (SSI 2011/2010).

This requirement was made on 12 May 2021.

Action taken on previous requirement

A comprehensive action plan covering all areas of repair and maintenance had been in place for several weeks. Steady progress was being made, with the majority of points already completed. The small areas that still required attention were planned for completion in the next few weeks. People told us they were liked their updated homes and we saw them using the outdoor space more readily. Generally the home was clean and tidy and this was maintained by regular cleaning and daily 'walk about' audits to keep everything up to standard.

Met - within timescales

Complaints

There have been no complaints upheld since the last inspection. Details of any older upheld complaints are published at www.careinspectorate.com.

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