

Curo Salus Moniabrock Farm Care Home Service

Johnstone

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About the service

Moniabrock Farm is one of several services provided by Curo Salus Ltd. The service provides a residential care home for up to 10 young people aged between five and 20 years. At the time of inspection there were 10 young people in the service.

The house is located in a rural area, within close proximity to Bridge of Weir. The house itself is a converted farmhouse with a large enclosed garden. The farmhouse has room for seven young people. There are two living areas and a large dining/kitchen area. The young people each have their own bedroom and private bathroom.

There is an adjoining 'Barn' that has room for two young people. This benefits from its own kitchen area. There is also a separate 'Cottage' that provides self-contained accommodation for one young person. Therefore, the accommodation provides for young people at varying ages and levels of independence.

About the inspection

This was an unannounced inspection which took place on 13 January 2026 (1100 until 1900 hours) and 14 January 2026 (1000 until 1700 hours). The inspection was carried out by one inspector from the Care Inspectorate.

To prepare for the inspection we reviewed information about this service. This included previous inspection findings, registration information, information submitted by the service and intelligence gathered since the last inspection.

In making our evaluations of the service we:

- spoke with seven young people using the service;
- spoke with five staff and management;
- observed practice and daily life;
- reviewed documents;
- reviewed survey responses from; 19 staff members, nine young people, four external professionals and three family members.

Key messages

- Young people were kept safe and felt secure within the service.
- Young people were aware of their rights and these were championed by staff, who advocated on behalf of young people to represent their views and best interests.
- The quality of relationships between staff and young people was recognised as a key strength.
- The home environment was of an extremely high standard.
- Young people were fully engaged in their care and support. The service were proactive in ensuring young people shaped the care and support they received.
- Young people achieved positive health outcomes and this was aided by the holistic approach taken by the service towards health.
- The educational facilities contributed to positive educational experiences and promoted a culture of achievement.

From this inspection we evaluated this service as:

In evaluating quality, we use a six point scale where 1 is unsatisfactory and 6 is excellent

How well do we support children and young people's rights and wellbeing?	5 - Very Good
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Further details on the particular areas inspected are provided at the end of this report.

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5 - Very Good

We found significant strengths in aspects of the care provided and how these supported positive outcomes for children and young people, therefore we evaluated this key question as very good.

Young people were kept safe at the service and benefited from a strong sense of security. Staff were knowledgeable and confident about protection practices and in their ability to keep young people safe. This was enabled by a sound knowledge of each young person's individual needs and trusted relationships. The service worked collaboratively with other key agencies and there was an understanding of roles and responsibilities.

Young people had strong networks of support and were provided care that was underpinned by person-centred and rights-based practice. The need for advocacy was understood and young people had access to this when this was required. We found that the practice around complaints within the service demonstrated a positive culture and commitment towards young people's rights.

The service had a strong understanding of the individual risks relevant to each young person and appropriate strategies were utilised to manage these risks. However, we found that this practice was not reflected within all service records. There were discrepancies between risk assessments/care plans and risk management plans. Risk management plans were outdated and not individualised. We discussed this with managers during the inspection and have confidence in the service's capacity to address this as an area for improvement.

Incidents of restrictive practices (including the use of restraint) were aligned to best practice and was considered in conjunction with young people in their plans. De-briefs with staff and young people always took place, following these incidents, and reparative work was undertaken in line with trauma-informed principles.

Young people experienced therapeutic and stable care. Relationships between young people and staff were characterised by trust, warmth and respect. There was love and affection and the service was experienced by young people as a family home. This care and support was based on the staff team's understanding of the impact of trauma and care was provided that was appropriately responsive to these experiences.

Young people experienced respect and this was reflected in the home environment that was homely and very well maintained. One young person told us that the service has, "everything you want and need..... The best, perfect. The way it should be for any care home. Staff listen and respect me".

Young people were fully engaged in their care and support and this was a strength of the service. Personal plans were of a good quality and young people participated in all aspects of their care and support in a meaningful way. One external professional told us, "staff members have been very responsive to the young person's views and always ensure they are listened to and involved in any planning or decision making. Staff put the child's needs and views first, always acting in their best interests. They build strong, trusting relationships and make sure children feel valued and heard".

Young people experienced appropriate connections to family networks and the service had a key role in ensuring that young people were able to spend time with family members. We were encouraged to find examples of the service advocating on behalf of young people for family time that reflected young people's views and best interests. This was particularly pertinent when a reduction in the frequency of family time was in a young people's best interests.

Young people achieved positive outcomes in relation to their education. The role of the provider school was integral to this and facilitated an aspirational and achieving culture. Young people benefited from access to a wide curriculum with varied opportunities and new experiences.

Positive health outcomes were prioritised and promoted within the service. We saw young people making measurable progress in their physical and mental health. The role of healthy routines, activity levels, balanced diets and sleeping habits have all made important contributions to positive health outcomes. We were impressed by the holistic approach taken by the service in relation to young people's health.

Young people enjoyed opportunities to participate in individual interests, activities and hobbies. Staff were proactive and strength-based in their approach and this helped ensure that young people developed confidence, skills and new interests. We saw some young people that had made notable progress in developing life skills and independence.

One young person was able to reflect on and summarise their progress, since living in the service. They told us, 'It is a life changing environment, that when you live here you become a better person over time. More mature, smarter, more respectable'.

Complaints

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

Detailed evaluations

How well do we support children and young people's rights and wellbeing?	5 - Very Good
7.1 Children and young people are safe, feel loved and get the most out of life	5 - Very Good

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