Childcare Inspection Report on

Cylch Meithrin Abergwaun

Fishguard Leisure Centre
Fishguard
SA65 9DT

Mae’r adroddiad hwn hefyd ar gael yn Gymraeg

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Description of the service

Cylch Meithrin Abergwaun was registered in October 2013, to operate from the leisure centre in Fishguard. They provide care for up to 24 children from the ages of two years. They offer sessional care between the times of 9.10am and 11.40am, Monday to Thursday, term time only. The service is provided through the medium of Welsh. The responsible individual on behalf of a voluntary committee is Christopher Sheldon and the person in charge is Samantha Watson.

Summary of our findings

1. Overall assessment
We, the Care and Social Services Inspectorate Wales (CSSIW), found that children enjoy attending Cylch Meithrin Abergwaun, and they are happy and content. We found that the service is correctly staffed at all times.

2. Improvements
None

3. Requirements and recommendations
None
1. Well-being

This inspection did not focus on well-being on this occasion because the inspection focused on issues raised in a concern and we had carried out a full inspection on 17 March 2017. This area will be considered at future inspections.
2. Care and Development

This inspection did not focus on care and development on this occasion because the inspection focused on issues raised in a concern and we had carried out a full inspection on 17 March 2017. This area will be considered at future inspections.
3. Environment

This inspection did not focus on environment on this occasion because the inspection focused on issues raised in a concern and we had carried out a full inspection on 17 March 2017. This area will be considered at future inspections.
4. Leadership and Management

Summary
The leader ensures that the service is well run and correctly staffed. They ensure that children’s needs are met and have contingency plans in place to cover staff absences.

Our findings

4.1 How effective is leadership?
The leader ensures that the service remains compliant with the regulations and national minimum standards.

Leaders ensured that the service remained compliant in relation to staffing ratios and records of these were kept effectively. The person in charge was not present during our visit, however there was a dedicated leader in her absence as well as a sufficient number of staff present. We looked at the children and staff register and saw that there was a sufficient number of staff present and on several days they exceeded the child to adult ratio.

Leadership is effective at this service.

4.3 How effective is the management of practitioners, staff and other resources?
Leaders ensure that the service is correctly staffed for the number of children attending.

Staff told us that leaders were organised and always ensured there were sufficient numbers of qualified staff present at all times. When staff members had to leave early at the end of a session for different reasons, the person in charge requested that parents collected their children ten minutes earlier than usual to ensure the service was not under staffed.

Leaders manage staff effectively.
5. Improvements required and recommended following this inspection

5.1 Areas of non compliance from previous inspections
   None

5.2 Areas of non compliance identified at this inspection
   None

5.3 Recommendations for improvement
   None
6. **How we undertook this inspection**

This was a focused inspection undertaken due to CSSIW receiving a concerns relating to insufficient number of staff present at the service. One inspector undertook an unannounced visit to the service on 21 November 2017 for a total of one hour;

- we observed children and the care being given to them by staff;
- we looked at children and staff registers and
- we spoke to the person in charge on the day.

Further information about what we do can be found on our website [www.cssiw.org.uk](http://www.cssiw.org.uk)
## About the service

| Type of care provided       | Children’s Day Care  
|                            | Sessional Day Care  
| Responsible Individual      | Christopher Sheldon  
| Person in charge            | Samantha Watson  
| Registered maximum number of places | 24  
| Age range of children       | 2 and half years to 4 years  
| Opening hours               | 9:10am – 11:40am Monday to Thursday, term time only.  
| Operating Language of the service | Welsh  
| Date of previous CSSIW inspection | 8 and 15 February 2017  
| Dates of this inspection visit(s) | 21 November 2017  
| Is this a Flying Start service? | No  
| Is early years education for three and four year olds provided at the service? | Yes  
| Does this service provide the Welsh Language active offer? | This is a service that provides an 'Active Offer' of the Welsh language. It provides a service that anticipates, identifies and meets the Welsh language and cultural needs of people who use, or may use, the service  

### Additional Information: