

Tuarascáil Rialála na Cigireachta Luathbhlianta Naíonra

Aitheantóir TUSLA:	TU2015CC298
Ainm na Seirbhíse:	Naíonra Thigh Wilton
Seoladh na Seirbhíse:	Teach Pháirc Wilton, Wilton, Corcaigh, Co. Chorcaí
Éirchód:	T12 ET32
Ainm an tSoláthraí Cláraithe:	Marian Ó Murchú
Cineál seirbhíse:	Páirt-Aimseartha
Dáta(i) na Cigireachta:	18/06/2024
Líon na leanaí naíonra:	AM 16 PM Nach bhfuil measúnú déanta air
Seoladh na Cigireachta Luathbhlianta:	Cigireacht Luathbhlianta, an Oifig Riaracháin, Campas Sláinte Naomh Muire, Garrán na mBráthar, Corcaigh
Cigireacht arna déanamh ag:	C Stokes
Teideal:	Cigire Luathbhlianta

An tÚdarás chun Iniúchadh a dhéanamh

Déanann Cigireacht Luathbhlianta Tusla cigireachtaí ar Sheirbhísí Luathbhlianta faoi Alt 58(J) den Acht um Chúram Leanaí 1991 (arna chur isteach ag Alt 92 den Acht fán nGníomhaireacht um Leanaí agus an Teaghlach 2013).

Coinníollacha más infheidhme	N/A
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Cur síos ar an tseirbhís

Tá an tseirbhís phríobháideach pháirtaimseartha Ghaeilge seo ag feidhmiú i bhfoirgneamh réamhdhéanta ó bhí 1999 ann. Tá sé cláraithe chun freastal ar leanaí idir 2-6 bliana d'aois. Is éard atá sa tseirbhís seomra súgartha amháin, cóiríocht sláintíochta in aice láimhe le 2 leithreas do leanaí agus limistéar lasmuigh faoi iamh.

Soláthar foirne

Tá an soláthraí cláraithe bunaithe ar sheirbhís agus tugann an leasdhúine atá i gceannas cúnamh dó. Bhí duais mhór ag an mbeirt daoine fásta i gCúram agus Oideachas na Luath-Óige.

Modheolaíocht

Is í Cigireacht Luathbhlianta Tusla an rialtóir reachtúil neamhspleách ar sheirbhísí luathbhlianta in Éirinn. Sainmhíonann Rialacháin an Achte um Chúram Leanaí 1991 (Seirbhísí Luathbhlianta) 2016 dualgas soláthraí cláraithe sábháilteacht agus folláine leanaí a chinntiú agus na rialacháin seo a chomhlíonadh. Tugann an tAcht seo an t-údarás do Tusla measúnú a dhéanamh ar chomhlíonadh na rialachán. Is é cuspóir na rialála maidir le seirbhísí luathbhlianta ná a chinntiú go gcloítear le cúram, sábháilteacht agus folláine na leanaí a fhreastalaíonn ar na seirbhísí sin. Déantar cigireachtaí ar sheirbhísí luathbhlianta a phleanáil bunaithe ar an méid seo a leanas:

- Stair iniúchta roimhe seo
- Aon fhaisnéis a fhaightear maidir leis an tseirbhís

Tá torthaí na cigireachta bunaithe ar na nithe seo a leanas:

- Faisnéis a fhaightear trí dhoiciméadacht a scrúdú
- Breathnóireacht dhíreach
- Plé leis an bhfoireann ábhartha

Fógraíodh/níor fógraíodh an chigireacht seo agus díríodh í ar réimse an rialachais/na sláinte, an leasa agus fhorbairt na leanaí/na sábháilteachta/na n-áitreabh agus na n-áiseanna.. Féadfaidh an t-iniúchadh díriú ar réimsí eile freisin de réir mar is gá.

Déantar torthaí na cigireachta a dhoiciméadú sa tuarascáil chigireachta a eisítear den chéad uair i ndruchtformáid chuig an tseirbhís agus deis ann freagra a thabhairt ar aon torthaí. Nuair a shainithnítear ceanglais reachtúla mar cheanglais nach bhfuil á gcomhlíonadh, ní mór don soláthraí cláraithe a léiriú conas a

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cheartaigh sé an neamhchomhlíonadh agus cuirfidh sé cosc ar aon neamhchomhlíonadh tarlú arís. Úsáidfean an Plean um Ghníomhaíocht Cheartaitheach agus um Ghníomhaíocht Choisctheach (CAPA) chun bonn eolais a chur faoi chinntí maidir le comhlíonadh na gceanglas rialála. Sa chás go dteipeann ar an soláthraí cláraithe na ceanglais reachtúla a chomhlíonadh, féadfar tús a chur le próiseas méadaithe.

Forchoimeádann an chigireacht an ceart chun eagarthóireacht a dhéanamh ar na freagraí a fhaightear ar chúiseanna lena n-áirítear soiléireacht, iomláine agus comhlíonadh na bpróiseas riaracháin agus dlíthiúil.

Is é an comhlacht cigireachta a thionsaíonn ábhar na tuarascála.

Buíochas

Is mian leis an gcigire aitheantas a thabhairt do chomhoibriú an tsoláthraí chláraithe, an leasduine atá i gceannas, agus na leanaí a bhí i láthair ar lá na cigireachta.

Cuid III – Bainistíocht agus Foireann

Rialachán 9 – Bainistíocht agus earcaíocht

(1) Cinnteoidh soláthraí cláraithe-

(a) go bhfuil duine ainmnithe i bhfeighil na seirbhíse agus duine ainmnithe atá in ann ionadaíocht a dhéanamh de réir mar is gá,

(b) gach tráth le linn na tréimhse a bhfuil an tseirbhís réamhscoile á seoladh, go mbeidh an duine ainmnithe atá i gceannas nó an duine ainmnithe dá dtagraítear i bhfomhír (a) san áitreabh, agus

(2) Cinnteoidh soláthraí cláraithe go mbeidh gach fostaí, oibrí gan phá agus conraitheoir oiriúnach agus inniúil agus cineál na riachtanas atá ag leanaí á chur i gcuntas, lena n-áirítear-

(a) breithniú a dhéanamh ar thagairtí ó iarfhostóirí an duine, más ann, agus go háirithe ón bhfostóir is déanaí, más ann,

(b) tagairtí ó fhoinsí creidiúnacha a bhreithniú i gcás duine nach bhfuil aon iarfhostóirí aige nó aici,

(c) breithniú ar an nochtadh grinnfhiosrúcháin a fuarthas ó Bhiúró Náisiúnta Grinnfhiosrúcháin an Gharda Síochána de réir Acht 2012 i leith an duine, agus

(d) a chinntiú, a mhéid is indéanta, i gcás duine a bheith ina chónaí nó ina cónaí i stát seachas an Stát ar feadh tréimhse is faide ná 6 mhí as a chéile, go soláthróidh sé nó sí grinnfhiosrúchán póilíneachta ó na húdaráis póilíneachta sa stát sin.

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(4) Cinnteoidh soláthraí cláraithe, gan dochar do ghinearáltacht mhír (2) agus faoi réir mhíreanna (5) agus (6), go mbeidh ag gach fostaí atá ag obair go díreach le leanaí atá ag freastal ar an tseirbhís mórdhámhachtain ar a laghad i gCúram agus Oideachas Luath-óige ag Leibhéal 5 ar an gCreat Náisiúnta Cáilíochtaí nó cáilíocht a mheasann an tAire a bheith comhionann.

Faisnéis maidir le comhlíonadh

- (1)
- (a) Bhí soláthraí cláraithe ainmnithe agus ionadaí ainmnithe ag an tseirbhís.
- (b) Bhí an soláthraí cláraithe agus an t-ionadaí ainmnithe ag obair ag an tseirbhís nuair a bhí an t-ionadaí gan réamhfhógra
- cuireadh tús leis an iniúchadh agus bhí sé ar fáil i rith an phróisis iniúchta.
- (2) Rinneadh athbhreithniú ar chomhaid an tsoláthraí chláraithe agus an ionadaí araon.
- (a) Bhí dhá thagairt scríofa ar comhad ó fhostóirí roimhe seo.
- (b) Bhí dhá thagairt scríofa agus bailíochtaithe ar fáil ó fhoinsí seachas fostóirí roimhe seo.
- (c) Bhí nochtadh grinnfhiosrúcháin an Gharda Síochána ón mBiúró Náisiúnta Grinnfhiosrúcháin i bhfeidhm don bheirt daoine fásta. An tseirbhís
- comhlíonadh an Fhógra Rialála ón gCigireacht Luathbhlianta a léiriú freisin, lena gceanglaítear ar sheirbhísí an méid seo a leanas a dhéanamh:
- grinnfhiosrúchán an Gharda Síochána a athnuachan gach trí bliana.
- (d) Ní raibh gá le grinnfhiosrúchán póilíní toisc nach raibh cónaí ar aon duine fásta lasmuigh den dlínse.
- (4) Bhí dhámhachtain aitheanta bainte amach ag an mbeirt aosach i gCúram agus Oideachas na Luath-Óige.

Faisnéis maidir le Neamhchomhlíontacht

- (2) (a) Níor bhailíochtaigh an soláthraí cláraithe dhá thagairt foirne, de réir mar is gá sula dtosóidh sé ar fhostaíocht agus sula mbeidh rochtain aige ar leanaí sa tseirbhís.

Gníomh Ceartaitheach & Coisctheach curtha isteach ag an Soláthraí Cláraithe

Gníomhaíocht cheartaitheach agus choisctheach

D'fhreagair an soláthraí cláraithe a rá gur bailíochtaíodh an dá thagairt. Dúirt an soláthraí cláraithe gur forbraíodh foirm taifid bailíochtaithe nua chun a chinntiú go mbailíochtóidh siad gach tagairt foirne go hiomlán amach anseo.

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Doiciméid tacaíochta curtha isteach

Cuireadh taifead bailíochtaíthe foirne amháin isteach mar fhianaise.

Léirmheas Achomair

Tuairm Achomair

Cuid III – Bainistíocht agus Foireann

Rialachán 11 - Leibhéal foirne

- (1) Faoi réir an Rialacháin seo, áiritheoidh soláthraí cláraithe go mbeidh líon leordhóthanach daoine fásta i gcónaí ag obair go díreach leis na leanaí atá ag freastal ar an tseirbhís réamhscoile.
- (2) Faoi réir mhíreanna (4) agus (5), cinnteoidh soláthraí cláraithe seirbhíse cúraim lae iomláin nó seirbhíse cúraim lae pháirtaimseartha go gcomhlíonfar gach tráth an cóimheas íosta idir aosaigh agus leanaí a shonraítear i gcolún (3) de Chuid 1 de Sceideal 6 os coinne uimhreach tagartha áirithe a shonraítear i gcolún (1) den Chuid sin i leith raon aoise na leanaí a shonraítear i gcolún (2) den Chuid sin ag an uimhir thagartha sin.

Faisnéis maidir le comhlíonadh

- (1) Le linn thréimhse an iniúchta, chinntigh an soláthraí cláraithe go raibh líon leordhóthanach daoine fásta ag obair go díreach leis na leanaí.
- (2) Coinníodh an cóimheas íosta idir daoine fásta agus leanaí mar seo a leanas, le linn na thréimhse seisiúin bhí 2 dhuine fásta agus 16 leanbh ann agus le linn na n-uaireanta páirtaimseartha, bhí 2 dhuine fásta le 2 leanbh, ag cothabháil na gcóimheas riachtanach 1 go 11 agus 1 go 8.

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Cuid V - Cúram Leanaí sa tSeirbhís Réamhscoile

Rialachán 19 - Sláinte, leas agus forbairt leanaí

(1) Cinnteoidh soláthraí cláraithe, le linn seirbhís réamhscoile a sholáthar-

(a) go n-éascaítear foghlaim, forbairt agus dea-bhail gach linbh laistigh de shaol laethúil na seirbhíse réamhscoile trí na gníomhaíochtaí, an idirghníomhaíocht, na hábhair agus an trealamh cuí a sholáthar, ag féachaint d'aois agus do chéim forbartha an linbh, agus

Faisnéis maidir le comhlíonadh

BUNRIACHTANAIS

- Breathnaíodh ar dhaoine fásta chun suí leis na páistí agus idirghníomhú chun ócáid shóisialta a dhéanamh den am sneaiceanna. Spreag na daoine fásta leibhéil chuí neamhspleáchais ag sneaiceanna, le córas cúnta chun na lóna a chuir tuismitheoirí/caomhnóirí ar fáil a thabhairt amach.
- Spreagadh agus tacaíodh le leanaí neamhspleáchas a fhorbairt maidir le cúram pearsanta, go háirithe, le níochán lámh tar éis súgartha lasmuigh agus roimh bhéilí.
- Cuireadh oiliúint leithris ar leanaí agus tugadh tacaíocht dóibh le bheith neamhspleách ag na daoine fásta, agus tugadh meabhrúcháin mhín faoi deara.
- Éascaíodh am ciúin / codlata trí leaba stackable a bheith ar fáil chomh maith leis an limistéar cluthar sa chúinne baile.
- Comhlíonadh an gá a bhí ag leanaí le soghluaisteacht agus úsáideadh an dá limistéar súgartha lasmuigh faoi dhó ar lá na cigireachta.

Cuid VI - Sábháilteacht

Rialachán 23 - Sláinte, sábháilteacht agus leas an linbh a chosaint

Cinntoidh soláthraí cláraithe go ndéantar gach beart réasúnach chun sláinte, sábháilteacht agus leas linbh réamhscoile atá ag freastal ar an tseirbhís a chosaint agus go bhfuil timpeallacht na seirbhíse sábháilte.

Faisnéis maidir le comhlíonadh

Sábháilteacht Ghinearálta:

- Rinneadh na doirse seachtracha a dhaingniú go cuí chun cosc a chur ar leanaí imeacht gan mhaoirseacht agus chun srian a chur ar dhaoine neamhúdairithe rochtain a fháil ar an réamhscoil. Bhí an limistéar lasmuigh daingnithe.

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- Daingníodh cordaí dall, agus níor breathnaíodh aon cháblaí ná luaidhe leictreach a bheith inrochtana do na páistí.
- Ní raibh rochtain ag na leanaí réamhscoile ar cheimiceáin/táirgí glantacháin.

Rialú Ionfhabhtaithe:

- Bhí gallúnach leachtach, tuáillí páipéir agus uisce te a rialaítear go teirmeastatach i bhfeidhm le haghaidh níocháin/triomú láimhe.
- Diúscaíodh dramhaíl sa seomra súgartha i mboscaí cos cuí a raibh claibín orthu.
- Tugadh faoi deara níocháin láimhe roimh sneaiceanna.
- Tugadh faoi deara go raibh na táblaí glanta roimh agus tar éis sneaiceanna.

Leigheas a Riaradh:

- Níor breathnaíodh aon leigheas le tabhairt ar lá na cigireachta, agus dúirt an soláthraí cláraithe nach raibh cógas ag teastáil ó aon leanbh sa suíomh.

Codladh Slán:

- Níor breathnaíodh aon leigheas le tabhairt ar lá na cigireachta, agus dúirt an soláthraí cláraithe nach raibh cógas ag teastáil ó aon leanbh sa suíomh.

Sábháilteacht ó Dhóiteán:

- Níor tugadh aon ábhar imní tromchúiseach faoi deara maidir le sábháilteacht ó dhóiteán toisc nár cuireadh bac ar bhealaí éalaithe.

Turas:

- Níor breathnaíodh aon imeacht ar lá an iniúchta.

Faisnéis maidir le Neamhchomhlíontacht

Rialú Ionfhabhtaithe:

Ar lá na cigireachta, níor breathnaíodh sneaiceanna meatacha a chuisniú chun milleadh bia a chosc de réir mar ba ghá. Tugadh an tsaincheist sin faoi deara sa chigireacht roimhe seo an 10 Samhain 2021 agus tugadh aghaidh uirthi trí CAPA. Aithnítear go raibh cuisneoir i bhfeidhm, ach níor tugadh faoi deara go n-úsáidfí é chun sneaiceanna/béilí na leanaí réamhscoile a chuisniú dóibh siúd a bhí i láthair ar lá na cigireachta.

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Gníomh curtha isteach ag an Soláthraí Cláraithe

Gníomhaíocht Cheartaitheach & Choisctheach & Doiciméadacht Tacaíochta

Rialú Ionfhabhtaithe:

D'fhreagair an soláthraí cláraithe a rá go dtéann na boscaí lóin díreach isteach sa chuisneoir gach maidin nuair a thagann na páistí isteach sula dtosaíonn aon ghníomhaíocht eile. Chuir siad ríomhphoist amach chuig na tuismitheoirí nua ag insint dóibh go gcaithfidh an bia don chuisneoir a bheith ar leithligh nó i mála beag ionas gur féidir leo é a aistriú go héasca isteach sa chuisneoir gach maidin.

Doiciméid tacaíochta curtha isteach

Cuireadh ríomhphost chuig tuismitheoirí, ag cur an méid thuas in iúl dóibh, agus cuireadh grianghraf leis de na málaí lóin agus na boscaí sa chuisneoir.

Léirmheas Achomair

Comhlíonadh an ceanglas maidir le Rialachán 23.

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Cuid VI - Sábháilteacht

Rialachán 26 - Bearta sábháilteachta dóiteáin

(1) Cinnteoidh soláthraí cláraithe go gcoimeádfar taifead i scríbhinn-

(a) aon druil dóiteáin a bheidh ar siúl san áitreabh, agus

(b) líon, cineál agus taifead cothabhála an trealaimh comhraithe dóiteáin agus na n-aláram deataigh san áitreabh.

(4) Déanfar fógra faoi na nósanna imeachta a bheidh le leanúint i gcás dóiteáin a chur ar taispeáint in áit fheiceálach san áitreabh.

Faisnéis maidir le comhlíonadh

(1) (a) Chinntigh an soláthraí cláraithe gur coinníodh taifead de na druileanna dóiteáin. An 20 Bealtaine 2024 an dáta a bhí ar an druil dóiteáin is déanaí.

(b) Chinntigh an soláthraí cláraithe gur coinníodh cothabháil na múchtóirí dóiteáin agus na n-aláram deataigh. Rinneadh na taifid sin a dhátú i mí Aibreáin 2024 agus i mí na Bealtaine 2024 faoi seach.

(4) Bhí fógra faoin nós imeachta aslonnaithe dóiteáin ar taispeáint ar an mballa ag an bpointe dóiteáin sa tseirbhís.

Cuid VI - Sábháilteacht

Rialachán 28 - Árachas

Cinnteoidh soláthraí cláraithe go bhfuil árachas leordhóthanach ag an tseirbhís réamhscoile.

Faisnéis maidir le comhlíonadh

Bhí árachas i bhfeidhm a bhí bailí go dtí an 31 Lúnasa 2024 le haghaidh suas le 80 leanbh, agus fíorú ón gcuideachta árachais maidir leis na huaireanta a chumhdaítear.

Early Years Inspectorate Regulatory Report

Pre School

TUSLA Identifier:	TU2015CC298
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Name of Service:	Naíonra Thigh Wilton
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Address of Service:	Wilton Park House, Wilton, Cork, Co. Cork
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Eircode:	T12 ET32
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Name of Registered Provider:	Marian Ó Murchú
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Service type:	Part Time
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Date(s) of Inspection:	18/06/2024
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No of pre-school children:	AM	16	PM	Not assessed
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Address of the Early Years Inspectorate:	Early Years Inspectorate, Administration Office, St Mary's Health Campus, Gurrabraher, Cork
Inspection undertaken by:	C Stokes
Title:	Early Years Inspector

Authority to Inspect

The Tusla Early Years Inspectorate carries out inspections of Early Years Services under Section 58(J) of the Child Care Act 1991 (as inserted by Section 92 of the Child and Family Agency Act 2013).

Conditions if applicable	N/A
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Description of service

This private Irish language-based part time service is operational in a prefabricated building since 1999. It is registered to cater for children aged 2-6 years. The service is comprised of one playroom, adjacent sanitary accommodation with 2 children's toilets and an enclosed outdoor area.

Staffing

The registered provider is service based and is assisted by the deputy person in charge. Both adults had a major award in Early Childhood Care and Education.

Methodology

Tusla's Early Years Inspectorate is the independent statutory regulator of early years services in Ireland. The Child Care Act 1991 (Early Years Services) Regulations 2016 define the duty of a registered provider to ensure the safety and well-being of children and to comply with these regulations. This Act also gives Tusla the authority to assess compliance with the regulations. The purpose of regulation in relation to early years services is to ensure that the care, safety, and well-being of children attending such services is upheld. Inspections of early years services are planned based on the following:

- Previous inspection history
- Any information received in relation to the service

The findings on inspection are based on:

- Information obtained through examination of documentation
- Direct observation
- Discussion with relevant staff

This inspection was announced/unannounced and focused on the area of governance/ health, welfare and development of child/ safety/ premises and facilities. The inspection may also focus on other areas as required.

Inspection findings are documented in the inspection report which is first issued in draft format to the service with an opportunity to respond to any findings. Where statutory requirements are identified as not being met, the registered provider must demonstrate how they have rectified the non-compliance and will prevent any non-compliance from re-occurring. The Corrective Action and Preventive Action plan (CAPA) will be used to inform decisions about compliance with regulatory requirements. Where the registered provider fails to meet the statutory requirements an escalation process may be commenced.

The inspectorate reserves the right to edit responses received for reasons including clarity, completeness and compliance with administrative and legal processes.

The contents of the report are compiled by the inspectorate body.

Acknowledgments

The inspector wishes to acknowledge the cooperation of the registered provider, deputy person in charge, and children who were present on the day of the inspection.

Part III – Management and Staff

Regulation 9 – Management and recruitment

(1) A registered provider shall ensure that-

- (a) the service has a designated person in charge and a named person who is able to deputise as required,*
- (b) at all times during the period when the pre-school service is being carried on, the designated person in charge or the named person referred to in subparagraph (a) is on the premises, and*

(2) A registered provider shall ensure that each employee, unpaid worker and contractor is suitable and competent taking into consideration the nature of the needs of children, including by-

- (a) consideration of references from the person's past employers, if any, and in particular the most recent employer, if any,*
- (b) consideration of references from reputable sources in the case of a person who has no past employers,*
- (c) consideration of the vetting disclosure received from the National Vetting Bureau of the Garda Síochána in accordance with the Act of 2012 in respect of the person, and*
- (d) ensuring, insofar as is practicable, that where a person has lived in a state other than the State for a period of longer than 6 consecutive months, he or she provides police vetting from the police authorities in that state.*

(4) A registered provider shall ensure that, without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (2) and subject to paragraphs (5) and (6), each employee working directly with children attending the service holds at least a major award in Early childhood Care and Education at Level 5 on the National Qualifications Framework or a qualification deemed by the Minister to be equivalent.

Compliance Information

(1)

- (a) The service had a named registered provider and a named deputy.
- (b) The registered provider and named deputy were working at the service when the unannounced inspection commenced and remained available throughout the inspection process.

(2) Both the registered provider and deputy's files were reviewed.

- (a) There were 2 written references on file from past employers.
- (b) There were 2 written and validated references available from sources other than previous employers.
- (c) A Garda vetting disclosure from the National Vetting Bureau was in place for both adults. The service also demonstrated compliance with the Early Years Inspectorate Regulatory Notice, requiring services to renew Garda vetting every three years.
- (d) Police vetting was not required as neither adult had lived outside the jurisdiction.

(4) A recognised award in Early Childhood Care and Education had been attained by both adults.

Non-Compliance Information

- (2) (a) Two staff references were not validated by the registered provider, as is required prior to commencing employment and having access to children in the service.

Corrective & Preventive Action submitted by the Registered Provider

Corrective and Preventive Action

The registered provider replied to state that the two references were each validated. The registered provider stated a new validation record form had been developed in order to ensure they fully validated all staff references going forward.

Supporting documentation submitted

One staff validation record was submitted as evidence.

Summary Comment

The requirement for regulation 9 has been met, this will be assessed at the next inspection.

Part III – Management and Staff

Regulation 11 - Staffing levels

(1) Subject to this Regulation, a registered provider shall ensure that there is at all times an adequate number of adults working directly with the children attending the pre-school service.

(2) Subject to paragraphs (4) and (5), a registered provider of a full day care service or a part-time day care service shall ensure that at all times the minimum ratio of adults to children specified in column (3) of Part 1 of Schedule 6 opposite a particular reference number specified in column (1) of that Part in respect of the age range of the children specified in column (2) thereof at that reference number is satisfied.

Compliance Information

(1) At all times during the period of the inspection, the registered provider ensured that there were an adequate number of adults working directly with the children.

(2) The minimum ratio of adults to children was maintained as follows, during the sessional period there were 2 adults and 16 children and during the part time hours, there were 2 adults with 2 children, maintaining the 1 to 11 and 1 to 8 required ratios.

Part V - Care of Child in Pre-school Service

Regulation 19 - Health, welfare, and development of child

(1) A registered provider shall, in providing a pre-school service, ensure that-

(a) each child's learning, development and well-being is facilitated within the daily life of the pre-school service through the provision of the appropriate activities, interaction, materials, and equipment, having regard to the age and stage of development of the child, and

Compliance Information

BASIC NEEDS:

- Adults were observed to sit with the children and interact to make the snack time a social occasion. Appropriate levels of independence were encouraged by the adults at snack, with a helper system to give out the lunches which were provided by parents/guardians.
- Children were encouraged and supported to develop independence regarding personal care, particularly, with hand washing after outdoor play and prior to meals.
- Children were toilet trained they were supported to be independent by the adults, with gentle reminders observed.

- Quiet/sleep time was facilitated by the availability of a stackable bed in addition to the cozy area in the home corner.
- Children’s need for mobility was met with both outdoor play areas being used twice on the day of inspection.

Part VI - Safety

Regulation 23 - Safeguarding health, safety and welfare of child

A registered provider shall ensure that all reasonable measures are taken to safeguard the health, safety and welfare of a pre-school child attending the service and that the environment of the service is safe.

Compliance Information

General Safety:

- The external doors were appropriately secured to prevent children from exiting unsupervised and to restrict unauthorised persons from gaining access to the preschool. The outdoor area was secured.
- Blind cords were secured, and no electrical cables or leads were observed to be accessible to the children.
- Cleaning chemical/products were inaccessible to the preschool children.

Infection Control:

- Liquid soap, paper towels and thermostatically controlled warm water were in place for hand washing/drying.
- Waste in the playroom was disposed of in appropriate lidded pedal bins.
- Handwashing prior to snack was observed.
- Tables were observed to be cleaned down prior to and after snack.

Administration of Medication:

- No medicine was observed to be administered on the day of inspection, and the registered provider stated that no child in the setting required medication.

Safe Sleep:

- A stackable bed was in place to facilitate sleep, its use was not observed on the day of inspection.

Fire Safety:

- No serious fire safety concerns were noted as escape exits were unobstructed.

Outing:

- No outings were observed on the day of inspection.

Non-Compliance Information

Infection Control:

On the day of inspection, perishable snacks were not observed to be refrigerated to prevent food spoilage as required. This issue was noted in the previous inspection of 10 November 2021 and addressed through CAPA. It is acknowledged that there was a fridge in place, however it was not observed to be used to refrigerate the preschool children's snacks/meals for those attending on the day of inspection.

Action submitted by the Registered Provider

Corrective & Preventive Action & Supporting Documentation

Infection Control:

The registered provider responded to state that every morning when the children come in, the lunch boxes now go straight into the fridge before any other activity starts. They have sent out emails to the new parents telling them that the food for the fridge needs to be separate or in a small bag so they can easily move it into the fridge each morning.

Supporting documentation submitted

An email, as sent to parents, informing them of the above, and a photograph of the lunch bags and boxes in the fridge were submitted.

Summary Comment

The requirement for Regulation 23 has been met.

Part VI - Safety

Regulation 26 - Fire safety measures

- (1) A registered provider shall ensure that a record in writing is kept of-*
- (a) any fire drill that takes place in the premises, and*
 - (b) the number, type and maintenance record of fire fighting equipment and smoke alarms in the premises.*
- (4) A notice of the procedures to be followed in the event of fire shall be displayed in a conspicuous position in the premises.*

Compliance Information

- (1) (a) The registered provider ensured that a record of the fire drills was maintained. The most recent fire drill was dated 20 May 2024.
- (b) The registered provider ensured a maintenance of the fire extinguishers and smoke alarms were maintained. These records were dated April 2024 and May 2024 respectively.
- (4) A notice of the fire evacuation procedure was on display on the wall at the fire point in the service.

Part VI - Safety

Regulation 28 - Insurance

A registered provider shall ensure that the pre-school service is adequately insured.

Compliance Information

Insurance was in place valid until 31 August 2024 for up to 80 children, with verification from the insurance company regarding the hours covered.