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# Spring Cottage

## 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

Spring Cottage Care Home provides personal care and accommodation for up to 24 people. At the time of our inspection there were 21 people living in the home. Accommodation is provided in single rooms. There were a variety of communal areas and gardens. There was a separate lodge accessible from the home for visitors which helped keep people safe during the current pandemic.

We found the following examples of good practice

The provider had a clear visiting policy and procedures in place in relation to relatives and friends, staff and visiting professionals. There was a separate area for visitors to don and doff personal protective equipment (PPE). Staff ensured Covid 19 lateral flow tests had been completed for all relatives when they visited.

At the time of this inspection, residents visitors were being hosted in the lodge separate to the home. This helped ensure as many visits could be achieved as possible as there was not a separate area within the home which was easy to sanitise after each visit.

Staff had received regular training about the pandemic and use of PPE. The home worked with the local authority infection prevention control nurses and attended regular webinars with the local authority.

The provider had supported staff wellbeing. Staff had access to mental health support. Staff who had been shielding or isolating had been contacted and kept up to date regularly by the registered manager.

## The five questions we ask about services and what we found

We always ask the following five questions of services.

### **Is the service safe?**

Inspected but not rated

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 the Care Quality Commissions' (CQC's), response to the coronavirus pandemic we are looking at the preparedness of care homes in relation to infection prevention and control. This was a targeted inspection looking at the infection control and prevention measures the provider has in place.

This inspection took place on 1 April 2021 and was announced.

# Is the service safe?

## Our findings

S5□ 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.