

Wellfield Estates Ltd

# Wellfield House

## 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

Wellfield House is registered to provide accommodation and care for up to 23 older people, some of whom are living with dementia. The home is situated in a residential area of Whalley Range, Manchester and is close to public transport and the motorway network. The home was originally four terraced houses which have been converted into one detached property. At the time of this inspection, there were 21 people living at the service.

We found the following examples of good practice.

- Current restrictions meant people were not receiving visitors. Alternative arrangements were in place for people to maintain contact with family and friends. Where visits were made by health professionals or contractors, health screening and the use of PPE was requested.
- The service followed national guidance on the use of personal protective equipment (PPE). Enough supplies of PPE were available, and staff had received relevant information and training in the safe 'donning and doffing' of PPE and infection control procedures.
- The testing of people and staff was completed in line with the home testing programme. Consideration had been given to people's mental capacity to consent to testing, where necessary best interest decisions were made. Additional temperature checks were carried out on staff at the start of each shift. This meant the service could respond quickly if someone developed symptoms or had a positive test result.
- The home appeared clean with adequate ventilation. Designated housekeeping staff completed all domestic tasks which now included increased cleaning of touch areas such as handrails and door handles. This helped to reduce the risk of cross infection.
- Risk assessments were carried out to manage and minimise the risks of COVID19 to people, staff and visitors.

Further information is in the detailed findings below.

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

We always ask the following five questions of services.

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

We were assured the service were following safe infection prevention and control procedures to keep people safe.

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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 CQC's response to the coronavirus pandemic we are conducting a thematic review of infection control and prevention measures in care homes. The service was selected to take part in this thematic review which is seeking to identify examples of good practice in infection prevention and control.

This inspection took place on 23 November 2020 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's infection prevention and control policy was up to date.