

LYTHAM CARE

ORCHARD HOUSE

We plan to have 2 young people between the ages of 8-17 with low to moderate EDB and/or LD living in the property full time with a staff team of 2 on 24/7.

These children will not be residing at the property initially together. We will admit 1 young person and give them as much time as is required to make them feel at home and settle into the homes routine and feel comfortable with the staff members before we start to think about admitting a second young person. (our average is approx. 10 weeks)

We have stringent guidelines we consider before placing a second young person. The balance of the home is vital to enable the young people to thrive.

This staff team rotates every two days, so we have 6 permanent members of staff assigned to said property. we run a 2 on 4 off rota, which the staff team across the company have picked. It gives stability to the young people and less movements for staff.

The manager is based at head office (L99db) not on site at the home, and this is the same scenario for the responsible individual (RI).

the RI oversees up to 6 homes so does not visit that often, but is updated daily via emails, phone calls, whatsapp groups etc, and the manager is responsible for another home located close by so is not on site wholetime, but again, is updated via the same means. That being said, we will expect the manager to be at the proposed home initially to make sure the staff team and home are functioning as expected.

We intergrate into the local community very well and are seen as a positive for the local area, bringing much needed employment into the area and safe stable homes for the young people placed in our care by the local authority. We pride ourselves on becoming vital members of the community, and actively look to become involved in any suitable ways.

We are fully Ofsted registered.

We have no extra movements of vehicles or people coming and going other than what you would expect from a normal domestic home.

We drop the children at school and pick them up and go shopping.

Staff change every 2 days but we actively encourage and incentivise the use of public transport to commute.

All our other homes are similar properties and have no adverse effects on the community.

We want and need to function as close to a normal domestic house as possible to get the young people used to living in such an environment.

Each of our individual homes is assigned a vehicle to use for day to day movements such as school runs, shopping, after school clubs. This vehicle will be parked off road on our designated driveway.