

Statement of Purpose



Post 19 provision
Millfield House

1. The aims and objectives of the service provider in carrying on the regulated activity

Millfield House is a home for young, mixed gender adults, but will also occasionally accommodate young people under the age of 18 years to support their transition into an adult provision. The home provides a safe and secure environment where young adults are encouraged to be as independent as possible, and to make choices and decisions about all aspects of their lives. Millfield House provides opportunity for young adults to lead fulfilling lives and to continue to achieve and extend their learning. Excellent levels of support from experienced, energetic and enthusiastic staff enable young adults to take part in a wide range of activities that promote their social, emotional, physical and mental development. Emphasis is placed on the young adults being healthy, happy and safe so that they are able to achieve and to take their place within the community in which they live.

All staff, before appointment are required to satisfy the enhanced checks carried out by the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS). This, together with our own rigorous safer recruitment checks and selection procedures, ensures that only those who are suitable to work with our residents are permitted to do so. When appointed, staff are required to complete the Care Certificate within 3 months.

The provision aims to enable its residents to:

- grow and achieve increasing independence
- make choices and decisions about all aspects of their lives
- enjoy and achieve so that their lives are rich and active
- become part of the community in which they live
- enjoy a diverse range of activities that promote their overall development
- live within a home environment where equality and diversity are promoted

2. The kinds of services provided for the purposes of the carrying on of the regulated activity and the range of service users' needs which those services are intended to meet.

Millfield House is a detached Edwardian house that provides accommodation for 6 young, mixed gender adults and a 2 bedroomed self-contained Annex that provides accommodation for 2 young adults. Millfield House provides good quality and well maintained accommodation which is tailored to meet the needs of its residents. It is set in its own attractive grounds in the quiet village of Colsterworth in Lincolnshire.

The main house has 6 bedrooms, 4 bathrooms (2 of which are en-suite), two large kitchens, a dining room, a TV lounge and quiet/sensory lounge, and a cloakroom. The annex has 2 large en-suite bedrooms, kitchen and lounge dinner. There are extensive gardens around the property with several lawns, a part of these are contained within a fenced area containing a trampoline and basket swing. There is also a horticultural area. The accommodation meets health and safety requirements and is in good decorative order. Millfield House has recently improved the parking facilities by creating a new car park (October 2017). Staff, residents and visitors now have designated parking within the grounds.

The home has undergone renovation work during April and now has a larger staff room for the expanding staff team. We also have a larger more functional laundry room, with new commercial washing machine, which is now situated in the main building. We have knocked through the former laundry room and office to create a brand new life skills kitchen and activity room.

The provision has its own transport enabling the residents to go out together or individually. Millfield House is situated within easy reach of several small towns, swimming pools, leisure centres and parks enabling the young adults' easy access to a wealth of leisure activities.

All the residents of Millfield House have autism, learning difficulties and often associated challenging behaviour. This means that they need high levels of staffing if they are to be able to achieve their potential. The building and grounds have been tailored to meet their needs. There is plenty of opportunity for residents to enjoy privacy alongside more social spaces where they can meet up together or entertain family and friends.

The young adults for whom the provision caters are functioning largely at a level that is significantly below their chronological age. This means they need help with all activities, and support in making even the smallest choice or decision. Experienced staff recognise the balance that has to be achieved between encouraging residents to take part in an activity, and allowing them to opt out if this is what they wish to do.

All residents will be eligible for a local authority assessment for Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards (DOLS). Staff at Millfield House will assess residents' needs and refer to the local authority as necessary. The home will consult with parents/carers in this process.

Residents have access to the on-site life skills and activity room where they can undertake leisure pursuits, music therapy and life skills activities.

3. The full name of the service provider and of any registered manager, together with their business address, telephone number and, where available, electronic mail addresses

The registered provider is
Hopscotch Solutions Ltd.
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The Nominated Individual is
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Trish Gregory joined Pathway Care Solutions in January 2019 as the Regional Service Manager and Responsible Individual. Trish previously worked for a small provider as their Responsible Individual and Quality Manager; this was a service for 20 children with a learning disability and complex needs. As part of her role she was a designated trainer and was strategic in the development of the home and services. Trish has worked as a regional manager for two other large childcare providers, covering England and ROI. Trish has over 30 years of experience in working with young people both as a qualified Social Worker and within residential care. She was a registered manager for 8 years and held the title of Group Service Manager, being registered for a 7 bedded children's home and overseeing 8 smaller children's homes and brought these homes through the registration process. As a Social Worker Trish worked in generic team working with children and families within the community and who were "Looked After" in a variety of residential settings, foster care, children's homes, secure environments and placing children for adoption. Areas of practice experience include assessment and delivery of care packages and resettlement planning, court work and intervention, core assessment, development and implementation of intervention programmes, behaviour management intervention planning and evaluation and staff training and development.

The Registered Manager is
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4. The legal status of the service provider

Hopscotch Solutions is a limited company that owns two children's care homes which provide education to residential and day students with autism; they also own Millfield House adult provision. It is part of the Acorn Care and Education Group which is now owned by NFA group.

5. Details of the locations at which the services provided for the purposes of the regulated activity are carried on.

All of the services will take place at

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