

## ANGUS COUNCIL

## CHILDREN AND LEARNING COMMITTEE – 01 JUNE 2023

## CARE INSPECTORATE INSPECTION - STRATHMORE CENTRE SHORT BREAKS SERVICE

**BACKGROUND**

As a minimum, the Care Inspectorate conduct annual unannounced inspections for registered services, that is care homes for older people; care homes for adults; care homes for children and young people; support services – care at home and secure accommodation. All other services such as pre-school centres receive a minimum frequency of inspection based on an intelligence-led risk assessment and previous performance.

The inspector evaluates registered services using a framework of quality themes linked to the National Care Standards:

- Quality of Care and Support
- Quality of Environment
- Quality of Staffing
- Quality of Management and Leadership

Strathmore Centre short breaks service received an unannounced inspection, which took on 13 and 14 March 2023. The inspection was carried out by an inspector from the Care Inspectorate, and a young inspection volunteer. The inspection report was completed on 17 March 2023 and can be found on the Care Inspectorate's website: [Published Inspection Report - Strathmore Centre](#)

**SUMMARY OF INSPECTION OUTCOME****What the service does well**

The Strathmore Centre inspection report and feedback given was extremely positive. The area evaluated was awarded a grading of 6 (Excellent).

**How well do we support children and young people's wellbeing?**

This key question was evaluated as excellent, performance was "sector leading". Supports and experiences for young people led to some outstanding outcomes, through the delivery of effective and innovative practice. Furthermore:

- The service was excellent at understanding the needs, wishes and preferences of young people
- Leaders carefully considered the ability and capacity of the service when allocating respite care to young people
- Care was planned effectively, and all staff were fully aware of their roles in this
- Young people benefitted from a staff team that assessed risk effectively
- Staff were highly trained, knowledgeable and supported
- Young people looked forward to their time at the Strathmore Centre
- The service worked well with other services to support positive outcomes for families and young people
- Parents advised that the service was invaluable

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

No of recommendations: 0

**REQUIREMENTS**

There were no requirements issued in respect of the service.

**DETAILED EVALUATIONS**

How well do we support children and young people's wellbeing?	6 - Excellent
Children and young people are safe, feel loved and get the most out of life	6 - Excellent

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