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Westbrook Little People

Westbrook Hall, Tempest Avenue, Waterloovillle, Hampshire, PO7 8NU

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Ofsted 109994

Registered Charity 1029611

Design and Access Statement

To whom it may concern,

Westbrook Little People was established in 1990. The setting is based in Westbrook hall, Tempest Avenue, Waterlooville. The setting is within a residential area, the Hurstville Estate, located between two primary schools. The building itself is a community hall, located adjacent to Westbrook farm playground. The pre-school has a lease agreement with Westbrook hall and has sole occupancy during its opening hours. Westbrook little people is a term-time only provision, opening Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9am-3pm and Wednesday 12-3pm.

The entire provision is set up on the ground floor, therefore making it accessible to all. The setting is based in the main hall, having access to a temporary outside area. Additionally, there is a small hall adjoined to the main hall. There is also a separate rest area for those children who require use of it. The kitchen is not accessible to the children without adult supervision, and has a hatch going through into the main hall. The lobby area leads through to the toilets and washing facilities. There is a small office space used for staff belongings.

We currently have 50 children that attend the setting they are from all cultures and backgrounds; we welcome every child and will always accommodate their individual needs. Our Keyworker system would establish individual needs and would support any difficulties or disabilities. Our planning, and excellent support from our advisory teacher and Services for Young Children ensures all our children needs are met on a continuous basis.

We also have to operate within the curriculum which means we have to provide an outside area which the children can freely access; at present we use temporary building netting in which to enclose a small area for the children. This is why a more permanent

garden area is needed. We have received a small grant for Hampshire County Council to fund the planned development. We feel that allowing us to develop this outside garden for our children and their families will be of great benefit to the learning and develop of our children and future members of Westbrook Little People.

The garden will remain grass with small areas allocated for growing, there will be small storage cupboard to store the children's gardening equipment this will be transparent so that it is visually apparent that there is nothing of large value stored in there, this is to deter an intruders. We would like to install a water butt and compost so that we can be self sufficient. We would also like to grow a willow tunnel for the children. The garden will be available for other users but will be maintained by Westbrook Little People. We have full support from the Westbrook Hall Association.

Westbrook Little People is run by a management committee that is charity based. The committee is made up of volunteer parents who are members of the local community.

Please if you have any questions please contact us on the above number or feel free to visit the setting for a clearer understanding of the garden plans and who will benefit.

Your Faithfully

Tamasin Barker Child Care Manager

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