

Inspection Report

8 September 2022



Kilwee Care Home

Type of service: Residential Care Home
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1.0 Service information

Organisation/Registered Provider: Merit Retail Limited	Registered Manager: Ms Deborah Campbell
Responsible Individual: Mr Jarlath Conway	Date registered: 03 June 2021
Person in charge at the time of inspection: Ms Deborah Campbell	Number of registered places: 16
Categories of care: Residential Care (RC) DE – Dementia.	Number patients accommodated in the home on the day of this inspection: 16
Brief description of the accommodation/how the service operates: This home is a registered Residential Care Home which provides health and social care for up to 16 residents. The home provides care over three floors, with the residential beds situated on the second floor, in a self contained unit.	

2.0 Inspection summary

An announced estates inspection took place on 8 September 2022, from 10:30 to 12:00 in connection with variation application ref VA011794.

This inspection focused on the newly adapted sections of the premises associated with the variation application to provide four additional en-suite bedrooms, new staff changing facilities and additional staff rest facilities.

3.0 How we inspect

RQIA's inspections form part of our ongoing assessment of the quality of services. Our reports reflect how they were performing at the time of our inspection, highlighting both good practice and any areas for improvement. It is the responsibility of the service provider to ensure compliance with legislation, standards and best practice, and to address any deficits identified during our inspections.

The inspection consisted of checks to estates related documentation submitted by the provider during the assessment of the variation application, followed by a walk around the home on the date of the inspection. This inspection focussed only on the new and adapted accommodation associated with the variation.

4.0 What people told us about the service

We spoke with the manager during the inspection who highlighted and described the changes made within the home and the intended use of the new facilities for use by residents and staff.

5.0 The inspection

5.1 What has this service done to meet any areas for improvement identified at or since last inspection?

The last inspection to Kilwee Care Home was undertaken on 07 March 2022 by a care inspector (Inspection ID: IN038397); the areas for improvement identified during their inspection were not assessed as part of this estates inspection. This was agreed with the Care Inspector who undertook that inspection.

5.2 Inspection findings

5.2.1 Is the newly adapted section of the home compliant with the DoH Care Standards for Residential Care Homes and with other relevant legislative requirements and ACOPs?

Alterations were made to the existing premises to provide four additional bedrooms with en-suite facilities providing an accessible toilet and wash hand basin. The bedroom and the associated en-suite exceed the current care standards with regards to area and critical dimensions, and were found to have been constructed and decorated to a high standard. The en-suite facilities also have suitable controls in place to ensure safe hot water is provided. It is important that once these bedrooms are occupied, that the residents are suitably assessed to ensure that any additional accessibility aids that they may require in their en-suite accommodation are installed.

The staff accommodation including male & female changing, staff rest area and a staff shower facility also met the current care standards and had been constructed and decorated to a high standard.

Documentation presented prior to the inspection and forwarded following the inspection indicated that the premises and the engineering services and equipment are installed and commissioned in line with relevant legislation, approved codes of practice and best practice guidance. Local Authority Building Control approval was obtained in respect of the extension works. All relevant risk assessments, including for fire and water safety, had been updated to take account of the alterations and additions made to the home.

Subsequently, from an estates perspective, the alterations and additions made to the home are considered to be compliant with the DoH Care Standards for Residential Care Homes.

6.0 Quality Improvement Plan/Areas for Improvement

There were no areas for improvement identified during this inspection, and a QIP is not required or included, as part of this inspection report.



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