

Organisation name	English Path, Leeds
Inspection date	26 January 2024
Current accreditation status	Accredited
Reason for spot check	Routine: newly accredited institution

Recommendation

We recommend continued accreditation. The next inspection falls due in 2027; there are no grounds for bringing this forward. However, evidence must be submitted within three months to demonstrate that weaknesses in S2 have been addressed. The required evidence was subsequently submitted

Changes to the summary statement

No changes need to be made to the summary statement.

Organisation profile

Inspection history	Dates/details
First inspection	February 2023
Last full inspection	February 2023
Subsequent spot check(s) (if applicable)	N/a
Subsequent supplementary check(s) (if applicable)	N/a
Subsequent interim visit(s) (if applicable)	N/a
Other related non-accredited activities (in brief) at this centre	N/a
Other related accredited schools/centres/affiliates	English Path schools in London, Birmingham and Manchester
Other related non-accredited schools/centres/affiliates	GBS in London, Birmingham, Manchester, Leeds offering FE and HE programmes

Student and staff profile	At inspection	In peak week: <i>July</i>
Total ELT/ESOL student numbers (FT + PT)	86	130
Minimum age (including closed group or vacation)	16	16
Typical age range	18–35	16–35
Typical length of stay	12 weeks	4 weeks
Predominant nationalities	Kuwaiti, Saudi Arabian, Colombian, Turkish	Spanish, Kuwaiti, Saudi Arabian, Ukrainian
Total number of teachers on eligible ELT courses	10	17
Total number of managers including academic	1	1
Total number of administrative/ancillary staff	3	3

Premises profile

Address of main site	St George House, 40 Great George Street, Leeds LS1 3DL
Additional sites in use	N/a
Additional sites not in use	N/a
Sites inspected	Main site

Introduction
Background

This was a routine spot check carried out 12 months after the first full inspection. The inspector had also been on the first inspection.

Preparation

The inspector was sent a list of key staff and a predicted organisation profile before the check.

Programme and persons present

The spot check took the inspector half a day. All the classes were visited very briefly, and meetings were held with the head office operations manager, the director of studies, the student services assistant, the accommodation officer and the officer in charge of UK groups and residences. Documentation was provided during the check as requested.

Findings

Welfare and student services

Accommodation

At the time of the first inspection, homestay accommodation for adults and under 18s was provided solely by an agency registered with the British Council. The school, along with all the other English Path schools, have now introduced their own homestay provision. No visits were made during the spot check. The school continues to use the registered agency as necessary. Residential accommodation can be arranged year-round.

Safeguarding under 18s

At the time of this spot check there were nine students under 18. One was placed in a homestay arranged by the school, and the others were in homestays arranged by the registered agency or staying with family.
