

Social worker: Catherine E Handley

Registration number: SW78736

Fitness to Practise

Voluntary removal decision

Date of decision: 22 February 2023

Particulars of decision

1. Social Work England has agreed to Ms Handley's request to remove herself from the register under the voluntary removal process. The social worker had a 12-month suspension order imposed following a final hearing on 8 December 2022. Social Work England has agreed to remove her from the register on the basis that she has confirmed:
 - she is not currently practising as a social worker
 - does not intend to practise in the future
 - she will not apply to be restored to the social workers register at any point in the future.
2. In light of the above, Social Work England has agreed that it is not in the public interest for the fitness to practise process to continue and she can be removed from the register