

Annex 9

Telford College

Overview





Vision and Mission

In June 2021, the Governing Body along with the Executive Leadership Team, launched a new Strategic Plan setting out the direction of travel for Telford College over the next five years.

"To be an ethical skills eco-system for the Marches and West Midlands" (Telford College Vision, June 2021)

By 2026, we will be a further education college that works for the community and for our stakeholders. We will recognise and celebrate each other's collective strengths and collaborate to maximise opportunities. The spirit of partnerships with shared ethics and values is key to our vision by working collaboratively alongside our stakeholders.

Our values: "We recognise that civic engagement is more important than ever. Through our strategic plan we will:

- Teach students the knowledge and entrepreneurial attitudes, skills, and competencies to adapt to the changes in society and the labour market.
- Expand learning opportunities to reskill and upskill adult students.
- Work in harmony with other educational partners within our local area through transparent collaborations, putting students first.
- Invest in green activities to support the community and safeguard it for future generations.
- Enhance the local economy through procuring goods and services".

Our ethics and values underpin our strategies, policies, objectives, and procedures by providing a basis and a reference point for everything that we do. These values and beliefs will guide our conduct and that of our students.

Context

As the largest further education provider in Telford and Wrekin, Telford College develops the knowledge, skills and behaviours of over 4700 people helping them to achieve academic and vocational success. The College adopts an ambitious and diverse curriculum that addresses the priority sectors identified within the Marches, with courses for young people, adults and apprentices, and tailored support for those with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND). In 2021-22, the College was the top performing adult provider in the area.

Telford College is strategically committed to being an integral and collaborative stakeholder within the local economy, holistically preparing students for employment. By working with employers, we collectively make a major contribution to meeting the skills need and economic success of the Marches Area and the West Midlands.

Telford College has a long history of working with the local stakeholders in developing the curriculum offer and addressing the local, regional and national skills priorities. In addition to working closely with The Marches LEP, the College Principal and CEO is a member of the Telford Business Board, Chair of the LEP Skills Advisory Board, member of the West Midlands College Group, the Shropshire & Wrekin Association of Colleges and People's Committee of the Integrated Care System. Additionally, the Deputy CEO is a member of the Education Strategic Partnership, Board of Local Skills Improvement Plans and Economic Group for Telford and Wrekin.

KEY FACTS

In 2021-2022, the College:

- Trained c.2,100 full-time and 5000 part-time students. The majority of full-time students are aged between 16 and 18.
- Trained c.800 apprentices.
- Worked with more than 800 individual businesses across the Marches.
- Contributed more than £226 million to the region's economy.
- Generated a return of more than £25, from our A level, apprenticeship and higher education courses, for every £1 of Government investment.
- Created a curriculum to ensure business needs are met from the collaboration and close links with more than 700 companies.
- Was judged to be 'Good' overall when inspected by Ofsted in February 2022.