



## **Statement on Planning for the COVID-19 strain of Coronavirus Updated 21st April 2020**

Dear all,

Given that the Government has not yet introduced any measures to ease the lockdown restrictions currently in place, the College will make no changes to its current management of learners and staff.

Therefore, the following actions remain in effect:-

- All learners who attend our college will continue to be risk-assessed in consultation with parents and the Local Authority to decide how best their young adult can be kept safe and their needs met.
- Learners who would be at significant risk if their education, health and care provision and placement did not continue, namely those who could not safely be supported at home, will attend their setting. Those whose needs can be safely met at home will remain at home.

We are:-

- Delivering adjusted on-site provision for those remaining in our care. We are fortunate that our curriculum lends itself to small class sizes and maximises outdoor learning opportunities. We have where safe to do so, reduced collective working to minimise social contacts. All appropriate infection control measures are being implemented.
- Providing distance-learning programmes to all learners who return home, in line with each learner's current learning aims. This includes sending craft resources and learning aids to each learner to complete in their home.
- Providing outreach to every learner who has returned home.
- Ensuring that each provision's on-call duty management system remains in operation, including the designated safeguarding lead.

Local Authorities and parents/carers have given the College complimentary feedback to what we are doing to keep learners safe and engaged at this difficult time.

The Senior Leadership Team continues to monitor the rapidly changing advice being issued from the Department for Education, Public Health England and other Government sources. Our actions are actively reviewed in line with this advice.

We will communicate any material update and/or change to the position set out in this statement without delay.

If you have any questions in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact the College Principal, Lindsay Harris – 07984 728314 or the HR & Welfare Manager, Carol Davies - 07923 217484.

Our priority remains the health and wellbeing of our whole community and we thank you for your continuing support.

Yours sincerely,

**Lindsay Harris**  
**Principal**