

HAVEN HIGH TECHNOLOGY COLLEGE

Best Value Statement 2009 - 2010

The Governors of Haven High Technology College are committed to achieving Best Value in all decisions made. We use the principles of Best Value as they apply to securing continuous improvement in this college and will:

- Regularly review the functions of the college, **challenging** how and why services are provided and setting targets and performance indicators for improvement;
- Monitor outcomes and **compare** performance with similar colleges and within the college;
- **Consult** appropriate stakeholders before major decisions are made; and
- Promote fair **competition** through quotations and tenders to ensure that goods and services are secured in the most economic, efficient and effective way.

We will strive to ensure that the college is using its resources effectively to meet the needs of students. We will submit our Best Value statement with the annual budget plan. The progress of the annual budget plan and the Best Value statement will be monitored with the College Development Plan in order to determine the extent of continuous improvement.

The college has in place a strategy and a set of guidelines, updated annually, which will ensure that Best Value will be reviewed and demonstrated. This year we will focus on:

Curriculum

1. Continuing to implement the Ofsted (2007) Action Plan including;
 - fully engaging students during tutor time
 - strategies for improving attendance
 - making clear the ways in which students may improve in future, particularly by diagnostic marking and making better use of assessment,
2. Continue to raise standards through
 - a focus of intervention strategies for targeted students
 - a whole school approach to SEAL

College Systems

3. Introduce a MIS to enable
 - staff to access information about students and to be able to input data into the one system, including attendance, assessment and the code of conduct.
 - parents/carers to access information regarding their child.
 - the college to comply with regulations on real time reports

College Leadership and Management

4. To continue to support
 - middle leaders through leadership programmes such as SSAT or NCSL
 - senior leaders through Masters Degrees or HPQH
5. Ensuring that there is a systematic approach by the Governing Body to check the effectiveness of the provision by:
 - placing monitoring on the Governors' meeting agendas as outlined in the monitoring calendar'
 - monitoring assessments and exam results and ensuring regular review of all policies.

6. Improving college effectiveness by:
 - carrying out classroom observations by teachers and/or outside agencies, in line with the agreed calendar for monitoring and as part of Performance Management.
7. Carrying out the Local Education Authorities' Best Value Review and MSSR by:
 - following the recommended procedures.

Financial Management

8. Improving efficiency of Financial Management by;
 - ensuring that all Action Plans are budgeted,
 - ensuring Best Value principles are applied to all quotations and tenders,
 - ensuring Governors are fully involved and kept informed of the college's financial position through the Executive Headteacher's Report at Governors' meetings.

Resources

9. Ensuring Best Value principles are applied to the purchase of resources by:
 - major purchases are monitored for effectiveness by the Governors against raising standards throughout the college and are in line with the college's Action Plans.

Premises

10. To monitor effective use of the college environment by:
 - applying Best Value principles at all times,
 - reviewing the Health and Safety policy,
 - to monitor the spending of devolved capital in line with the above.

Approved:

.....Headteacher Date
Chair of Governors Date