

CENTRAL SUSSEX COLLEGE

Report of the Crawley and Horsham LCB Meeting – 5th December 2007

Tour of Longley Building

- The Board undertook a short tour of the Longley Building.

Community

- An update on the work being undertaken with the local schools was provided and the developments with a number of the schools were outlined.
- The importance of engaging those learners in danger of being excluded or dis-engaged with the traditional learning routes was discussed.
- The Board noted the challenges that working with schools and younger learners presented to the College, particularly in terms of skills, but also the real opportunities it presented.
- An update was provided on the College's work with the Crawley Area Secondary Heads Group (CASH).
- An outline of the work being undertaken with the hard to reach and socially excluded groups was provided. This work was ongoing and it was planned to provide a further update on progress at the next meeting of the Board.
- Representation on the Board from the business community was still being sought.

Curriculum, Quality & Standards

- The Board considered in some detail the Draft Self Assessment Report for the Crawley and associated campuses.
- The significant strengths and areas for improvement from the Self Assessment Report were highlighted in particular. The emphasis on learning rather than teaching was noted, along with inclusivity and equality of learning for everyone.
- It was noted that the College had come a long way, but still aspired to be better. The Board congratulated the College on the work undertaken on the Self Assessment Report.

Strategy

- The Board received an update on the Crawley Masterplan and an outline of progress with the Haywards Heath Masterplan.