Sustainability Policy and Procedure

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Policy Introduction and Aim

At Bluestone College we are committed to implementing sustainable development through our management of resources, the learning opportunities we provide and our engagement with the local community. By doing this we aim to be a leader in education for sustainable development and support our community and partners achieve their sustainability objectives.

Our sustainable development policy and plan are our tools to help us achieve this.

Bluestone College supports the approaches taken by the UK Government Sustainable Development Strategy 'Securing the Future', 2005; the Learning and Skills Council's strategy for sustainable development, 'From Here to Sustainability', and the Walsall Council, Sustainable Community Strategy.

- We understand and balance the environmental, social and economic impacts of the decisions we make.
- We take a long term perspective in all that we do
- We ensure a 'whole institution approach' to sustainable development and support the development of sustainable communities.
- We achieve continual improvement, through setting objectives and targets, and through monitoring and review.
- We are building capacity by supporting behaviour change within the academy and the community.
- We manage our resources carefully, reducing the environmental impact of our activities.
- We are developing our curriculum and promoting education for sustainable development through our teaching and training.
- We are engaging with our community, partners and stakeholders to enhance our excellent links with the communities within which we operate.

Management

Overall responsibility for the Sustainability policy lies with the Managing Director who will oversee the policy within Bluestone and will be disseminated through the Lead IQA.

The Managing Director with chair quarterly sustainability standards panel to quality check and the Lead IQA will be responsible for generating a Sustainability Steering Group with areas of strength and required improvement detailed.