



Curriculum Review Group – Terms of Reference

1. This Curriculum Review Group will comply with their duty under the new section 52B of the Further and Higher Education Act 1992, as amended by the Skills and Post 16 Education Act 2022, to review provision in relation to local needs, in particular needs relating to local employment.
2. This Curriculum Review Group commits to undertaking a curriculum review at least every three years, or when a new LSIP is published for Suffolk and Norfolk.
3. This Curriculum Review Group will collaborate with the Governing Bodies from other New Anglia regional providers in undertaking this review. This collaboration will focus on meeting local needs as the primary outcome, for example where curriculum collaboration could lead to a provision offer better aligned to local needs.
4. This review will be integrated into Suffolk New College's curriculum, estates, and financial planning processes, and these will then be reflected in the providers accountability agreement.
5. This Curriculum Review Group will consider what actions Suffolk New College can take to better meet local needs, to better ensure learners have the skills needed to secure suitable employment. These actions could include changes to the structure through which provision is delivered within the local area.
6. This section 52B review will inform the actions that are set out in Suffolk New College plans which will make up the second part of the provider's accountability agreement.
7. This review will be underpinned by evidence, balancing both forward and backward-looking data and information. This Curriculum Review Group will use readily available evidence such as the local skills improvement plan, and the information used to develop this plan, including the data being made available through the new Unit for Future Skills.

8. As well as building on established strengths, this review will identify areas where improvement is required - together with an assessment of the key barriers (including structural barriers) that need to be addressed for improvement to be achieved.

9. This Curriculum Review Group will engage with local stakeholders as a key source of information and intelligence on changing local needs. Stakeholders will also be able to comment on the emerging review before it is published, to provide external challenge and validation.

10. This Curriculum Review Group will publish the outcome of this review on the Suffolk New College website.