

# Staffordshire's Education and Skills Strategy

## A Partnership Framework

### Why we need this...

Every day, 23 babies are born to families across Staffordshire.

A new born baby is a precious thing. As this little person grows to become a toddler and pre-schooler, their heads are full of creativity and ambition. They crave new experiences and soak up information like sponges.

When they're at school or college, they will continue to grow and learn. It's our responsibility to support them and guide them in the choices they make. It's up to us to create opportunities for them to get the knowledge and skills they need for a great job, a rewarding career and the best shot at life.

As they become parents, our children will have ambition and aspiration for their families and communities, making Staffordshire a great place to live for everyone.

This is what we want for all our children and young people and we're determined to work together to make it happen.



### Staffordshire's Education Landscape



There are around  
**170,000**  
children in Staffordshire

Almost **12,000** come from  
an ethnic minority background  
and around **150**  
languages are spoken.



There is a diverse mix and sizes of institutions providing opportunities from individual childminders who may be caring for just a few children to universities with 15,000 students.



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### Our Vision

Every Staffordshire child receives the best possible education and is equipped with the learning, skills, aspirations and opportunities they need to continue lifelong learning and forge a successful career, with fulfilled healthy lives, as responsible adults.

### How we will work together...

Individual Provider

Locality or sector cluster

Provider networks and local groups

Education and Skills Strategic Group for Staffordshire

### Principle 1

Develop an education and skills landscape built on morals, ethics and trust, underpinned by transparency and accountability.



### Principle 2

Children get the best start in life from birth, helping children build strong foundations so they can continue to grow, learn and succeed.



### Principle 3

Create equal opportunity and ensure we equip learners with the values, skills and knowledge necessary to live a fulfilled life and build a rewarding career

