

Value for Money Statement

Organisation name: Bassingbourn Village College

Company number: 7729237

Year ended 31 August 2014

I accept that as accounting officer of Bassingbourn Village College I am responsible and accountable for ensuring that the academy trust delivers good value in the use of public resources. I am aware of the guide to academy value for money statements published by the Education Funding Agency and understand that value for money refers to the educational and wider societal outcomes achieved in return for the taxpayer resources received.

I set out below how I have ensured that the academy trust's use of its resources has provided good value for money during the academic year.

Bassingbourn Village College has a very clear purpose "To know all our students as individuals; providing a wide variety of opportunities and experiences through a personalised curriculum and support. Ensuring rapid and sustained progress within a kind, caring and close family environment. To nurture individuals to have high aspirations, love of learning and to become confident, responsible and independent members of society". Best value is ensured as the decision making process is always applied to this core purpose, checking that the impact will benefit our student's learning. The curriculum has been modified this year to enable students to access a greater variety of courses at KS4. The staffing structure has been developed allowing more resources to be targeted to improve literacy and numeracy levels further. A Faculty structure is now in place, this will support the further development of learning and leadership. This has already led to improvements in standards; outcomes in 2014 are significantly higher than 2013 results and 2013 National Averages. English results improved dramatically with 90% of students achieving a grade C or higher.

Financial governance is systematically planning for the building to be updated and for learning resources/facilities to be improved. There are strong procedures which support best value and sufficiently challenge economic decisions. Monthly reports provide opportunities to monitor spending effectively.

The next academic year will focus upon the development of the KS3 curriculum/assessment and implementing changes to our student support provision following national developments.

Signed:

Name: Mr D Cooper

Academy Trust Accounting Officer

Date: 20th November 2014

Name: Mr Duncan Cooper

Academy Trust Accounting Officer

Date: 11 Dec 2014