

**BHASVIC, City College Brighton and Hove, Varndean College**

**Memorandum of Accord**

**1. Context**

BHASVIC, City College Brighton and Hove and Varndean College support the Sussex Learning and Skills Council's (SLSC) drive to improve the participation, retention and achievement of learners and potential learners. We are keen to collaborate in order to maximise our effectiveness in addressing these issues within Brighton and Hove.

**2. Purpose**

The Colleges agree to work together in order to meet the pressure of demographic change in the city and to increase and widen participation by:

- Progressing the strategic issues defined in the Sussex LSC's plan in the areas of education and training for 16-19 year olds, adults and in the workplace;
- Improving information, advice and guidance for prospective applicants to the Colleges and to students wishing to transfer or progress between the Colleges;
- Co-ordinating curriculum development, including a coherent strategy on 14-19 progression;
- Collaborating in developing capital applications in line with the Colleges' Strategic Plans

**3. Manner of working**

The Colleges will:

- Seek to involve other partners within the Brighton and Hove Learning Partnership wherever and whenever this will benefit existing and potential learners;
- As far as possible, capitalise on each College's strengths;
- Continue to develop the Colleges as three independent corporations;
- Arrange termly meetings of the Chairs and principals to steer the strategic agenda.
- Arrange termly meetings of senior managers to review strategy, operational implications, and action.

Signed on behalf of [name of College

Date

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Chairman of Governors

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College Principal

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