



SINGLE EQUALITY SCHEME 2017-18

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Introduction

This Single Equality Scheme (SES) for RNN Group (RNN) brings together the College's commitment to the Equality Act 2010 and requirement for a single document that outlines how we plan to meet our statutory requirements.

The Equality Act 2010 (Specific Duties) Regulations 2011 came into force from 10 September 2011

These regulations allow Colleges to perform the general equality duty better by the transparency of publishing equality information, which is accessible to the public. The general Equality Duty requires colleges, when exercising their functions, to have due regard to the need to:

- (a) eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by or under the Equality Act 2010;
- (b) advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it;
- (c) foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it.

The Equality Act Specific Duties require colleges to:

- Publish information to demonstrate compliance with the general Equality Duty on an annual basis. This includes information relating to employees and other individuals who share a relevant protected characteristic (see below for definition) who will be affected by their policies and practices.
- Prepare and publish equality objectives by no later than 6 April 2012 and at least every four years thereafter. There is a requirement for one or more objectives, which the organisation believes it should achieve, in order to comply with any part of the general equality duty (points a-c above); the objective(s) must be specific and measurable. There is a legal requirement to ensure all information is published in a way that is easily accessible to the public.

The Act protects employees, students and people who access the College's goods, services and facilities, from discrimination on the basis of 'protected characteristics' which include:

- Race
- Sex
- Disability (or because of something connected with their disability)

- Sexual orientation (lesbian, gay, bisexual or heterosexual)
- Religion or belief
- Gender reassignment/being a transsexual person
- Pregnancy and maternity
- Being married or in a civil partnership (employees only as at October 2011)
- Age (Employees only as at October 2011)

The SES seeks to anchor the legislative requirements firmly within all that the college does and underpins our own values and vision. These are:

Vision We will become one of the UK’s leading Further Education Colleges

Our Mission Delivering outstanding technical and professional education and training
 Helping businesses to succeed and grow, transforming the lives of our students and communities

Our Values Respect: Valuing each other and the ways in which we work together
 Support: Creating an environment that is caring and safe
 Inclusion: Valuing and celebrating individuality and the chance for each to reach their full potential
 Excellence: Being positive and creative, and striving to be the best we can
 Partnership: Working with employers and partners to meet the needs of our students and out community

It is the **purpose and intention** of this SES document to demonstrate:

- the College is committed to tackling any form of discrimination, committed to the promotion of equality and fostering good relations between each of the protected characteristics
- the College has properly considered how its activities as an employer and a provider of education and services affect people with all of the protected characteristics

Specific Equality Objectives

- Curriculum development which responds to the needs of our students and our communities
- Delivery of targets set for curriculum and business support which are designed to promote equality and diversity or to drive equality forward
- Promote the development of positive behaviours which reaffirm the understanding of and compliance with the rule of British Law and British Values
- Professional development which continues to support staff to promote equality and diversity routinely in their daily activity
- To ensure that any gaps in key learner outcomes are addressed
- To ensure that Equality and Diversity is promoted and celebrated in all that we do
- To achieve an accessible learning environment for all
- To have a representative workforce at all levels that reflects the diversity of our students

Staff - Equality & Diversity – Employee Data

Staff Profile compared with Bassetlaw general population

The College continuously reviews statistics with regard to the Equality & Diversity Profile of its employees and learners. This data is reviewed on an annual basis and an action plan updated to address any areas of concern. The following table summarises current employee statistics and also compares local and SIR (FE Workforce Data for England) data.

WHOLE GROUP

	Support	Support %	Lecturer	Lecturer %	Management	Management %	P/T	P/T %	Total in Group	Total %	Bassetlaw%	Rotherham %
Age Profile												
16 - 25	95	10.94	1	0.32	1	1.15	31	6.01	97	7.65	11.48	12.17
26 - 35	205	23.62	58	18.53	14	16.09	111	21.51	277	21.85	10.58	11.48
36 - 45	185	21.31	86	27.48	23	26.44	117	22.67	294	23.19	14.34	14.24
46 - 55	199	22.93	90	28.75	33	37.93	111	21.51	322	25.39	14.77	14.23
56 and over	184	21.20	78	24.92	16	18.39	146	28.29	278	21.92	31.23	28.86
TOTAL	868	100	313	100	87	100	516	100	1268	100	82.40	80.97
Gender												
Female	639	73.62	161	51.44	55	63.22	424	82.17	855	67.43	50.40	49.07
Male	229	26.38	152	48.56	32	36.78	92	17.83	413	32.57	49.60	50.93
TOTAL	868	100	313	100	87	100	516	100	1268	100	100	100
Ethnicity												
BME	22	2.53	9	2.88	0	0.00	11	2.13	31	2.44	2.5	6.42
White	793	91.36	292	93.29	85	97.70	462	89.53	1170	92.27	97.37	93.58
Not Known / Provided	53	6.11	12	3.83	2	2.30	43	8.33	67	5.28	0.13	0.00
TOTAL	868	100	313	100	87	100	516	100	1268	100	100	100
Disability												
Yes	32	3.69	24	7.67	4	4.60	24	4.65	60	4.73		
No / Not Declared	836	96.31	289	92.33	83	95.40	492	95.35	1208	95.27		
TOTAL	868	100	313	100	87	100	516	100	1268	100		

DVC

	Support	Support %	Lecturer	Lecturer %	Management	Management %	P/T	P/T %	Total in College	Total %	Rotherham %
Age Profile											
16 - 25	35	15.77	1	1.92	1	4.35	17	11.64	37	12.46	12.17
26 - 35	48	21.62	17	32.69	6	26.09	37	25.34	71	23.91	11.48
36 - 45	43	19.37	17	32.69	5	21.74	30	20.55	65	21.89	14.24
46 - 55	51	22.97	11	21.15	10	43.48	29	19.86	72	24.24	14.23
56 and over	45	20.27	6	11.54	1	4.35	33	22.60	52	17.51	28.86
TOTAL	222	100	52	100	23	100	146	100	297	100	80.97
Gender											
Female	154	69.37	30	57.69	13	56.52	116	79.45	197	66.33	49.07
Male	68	30.63	22	42.31	10	43.48	30	20.55	100	33.67	50.93
TOTAL	222	100	52	100.00	23	100	146	100	297	100	100
Ethnicity											
BME	2	0.90	1	1.92	0	0.00	2	1.37	3	1.01	6.42
White	175	78.83	46	88.46	21	91.30	108	73.97	242	81.48	93.58
Not Known / Provided	45	20.27	5	9.62	2	8.70	36	24.66	52	17.51	0
TOTAL	222	100	52	100.00	23	100	146	28	297	100	100
Disability											
Yes	8	3.60	5	9.62	3	13.04	4	2.74	16	5.39	
No / Not Declared	214	96.40	47	90.38	20	86.96	142	97.26	281	94.61	
TOTAL	222	100	52	100	23	100	146	100	297	100	

Rotherham

	Support	Support %	Lecturer	Lecturer %	Management	Management %	P/T	P/T %	Total in College	Total %	Rotherham %
Age Profile											
16 - 25	37	15.16	0	0.00	0	0.00	10	7.41	37	8.51	12.17
26 - 35	63	25.82	28	17.07	7	25.93	19	14.07	98	22.53	11.48
36 - 45	40	16.39	48	29.27	6	22.22	34	25.19	94	21.61	14.24
46 - 55	46	18.85	48	29.27	8	29.63	28	20.74	102	23.45	14.23
56 and over	58	23.77	40	24.39	6	22.22	44	32.59	104	23.91	28.86
TOTAL	244	100	164	100	27	100	135	100	435	100	80.97
Gender											
Female	165	67.62	80	48.78	20	74.07	102	75.56	265	60.92	49.07
Male	79	32.38	84	51.22	7	25.93	33	24.44	170	39.08	50.93
TOTAL	244	100	164	100	27	100	135	100	435	100	100
Ethnicity											
BME	13	5.33	6	3.66	0	0.00	7	5.19	19	4.37	6.42
White	224	91.80	156	95.12	27	100.00	125	92.59	407	93.56	93.58
Not Known / Provided	7	2.87	2	1.22	0	0.00	3	2.22	9	2.07	0
TOTAL	244	100	164	100	27	100	135	100	435	100	100
Disability											
Yes	11	4.51	14	8.54	1	3.70	11	8.15	26	5.98	
No / Not Declared	233	95.49	150	91.46	26	96.30	124	91.85	409	94.02	
TOTAL	244	100	164	100	27	100	135	100	435	100	

North Nottinghamshire

	Support	Support %	Lecturer	Lecturer %	Management	Management %	P/T	P/T %	Total in College	Total %	Bassetlaw%
Age Profile											
16 - 25	23	5.72	0	0.00	0	0.00	4	1.70	23	4.29	11.48
26 - 35	94	23.38	13	13.40	1	2.70	55	23.40	108	20.15	10.58
36 - 45	102	25.37	21	21.65	12	32.43	53	22.55	135	25.19	14.34
46 - 55	102	25.37	31	31.96	15	40.54	54	22.98	148	27.61	14.77
56 and over	81	20.15	32	32.99	9	24.32	69	29.36	122	22.76	31.23
TOTAL	402	100	97	100	37	100	235	100	536	100	82.40
Gender											
Female	320	79.60	51	52.58	22	59.46	206	87.66	393	73.32	50.4
Male	82	20.40	46	47.42	15	40.54	29	12.34	143	26.68	49.6
TOTAL	402	100	97	100	37	100	235	100	536	100	100
Ethnicity											
BME	7	1.74	2	2.06	0	0.00	2	0.85	9	1.68	2.5
White	394	98.01	90	92.78	37	100.00	229	97.45	521	97.20	97.37
Not Known / Provided	1	0.25	5	5.15	0	0.00	4	1.70	6	1.12	0.13
TOTAL	402	100	97	100	37	100	235	100	536	100	100
Disability											
Yes	13	3.23	5	5.15	0	0.00	9	3.83	18	3.36	
No / Not Declared	389	96.77	92	94.85	37	100.00	226	96.17	518	96.64	
TOTAL	402	100	97	100	37	100	235	100	536	100	

SES General Principles and Consultation with Stakeholders

RNN Group is committed to ensure and promote equality and diversity in all of its work, and this covers equality of opportunity and treatment for all persons in relation to all of the College's activities, such as the employment of staff, consultants and contractors. It also relates to the provision of education and training to individuals and other organisations.

RNN will:

- Endeavour to provide equality of access and resources for all
- Support an environment that promotes equality of opportunity for all stakeholders
- Respect and support all students and staff and wider stakeholders
- Work to establish a staff workforce and Governing Body that reflects the local community
- Provide training in equality and diversity for staff, students and Governors.
- Monitor, analyse and act upon statistical trends, complaints and other issues in relation to Equality and Diversity per programme area in addition to cross-college provision
- Ensure compliance with current and new legislation
- Ensure accountability for the promotion of Equality and Diversity takes place at Governor, Senior Leadership Team and Programme Manager level

The SES will be reviewed annually in March in order to ensure the College demonstrates full compliance with the general equality duty and continues to establish and monitor specific and published equality objectives. This SES will be communicated to all staff and students and key stakeholders via email and via written communication. Our action plan will ensure that we remain focused upon the key objectives we have set. The Board of Governors will receive an annual report on our progress.

Student Profile 2017/18

Student data is analysed by a number of factors including age, gender, ethnicity and LDD. This is undertaken at programme area level and forms an important part of the annual Self-Assessment Review (SAR). A Quality Improvement Plan (QIP) is developed as part of the SAR process and is reviewed for progress monthly by curriculum teams. An annual review of all complaints made to the college also informs the process in order that we are aware of any developing trends. A review of E&D activity across college is reported termly which celebrates the wide ranging involvement of staff and students. Learner feedback is sought formally through 'learner voice' activities. The college's Observation of Teaching, Learning and Assessment measures the degree to which E&D is embedded in the curriculum which impacts on the overall outcome.

Note: 844 unknown students (Course not designated FT/PT)

27/02/2018

	FT		PT		Total	
	No of Learners	FT % Total	No of Learners	PT % Total	No of Learners	% Total For Group
Widening Participation						
No WP	4704	59.04%	3264	40.96%	7968	52.43%
WP	3935	54.43%	3294	45.57%	7229	47.57%
Age Group						
< 16	77	39.29%	119	60.71%	196	1%
16-18	3718	91.13%	362	8.87%	4080	27%
19+	4844	44.35%	6077	55.65%	10921	72%
Gender						
F	4494	49.67%	4553	50.33%	9047	59.53%
M	4145	67.40%	2005	32.60%	6150	40.47%
Learning Difficulty/Disability						
Learning Difficulty/Disability	1921	61.97%	1179	38.03%	3100	20.40%
None	6497	55.79%	5148	44.21%	11645	76.63%
Not known	221	48.89%	231	51.11%	452	2.97%

Ethnicity						
31 White - British	7655	60.58%	4982	39.42%	12637	83.15%
32 White - Irish	17	48.57%	18	51.43%	35	0.23%
33 White - Gypsy or Irish Traveller	10	76.92%	3	23.08%	13	0.09%
34 White - Any other White background	333	36.35%	583	63.65%	916	6.03%
35 Mixed/Multiple ethnic group - White and Black Caribbean	50	51.55%	47	48.45%	97	0.64%
36 Mixed/Multiple ethnic group - White and Black African	14	33.33%	28	66.67%	42	0.28%
37 Mixed/Multiple ethnic group - White and Asian	34	56.67%	26	43.33%	60	0.39%
38 Mixed/Multiple ethnic group - Other	32	54.24%	27	45.76%	59	0.39%
39 Asian/Asian British - Indian	25	40.98%	36	59.02%	61	0.40%
40 Asian/Asian British - Pakistani	152	38.58%	242	61.42%	394	2.59%
41 Asian/Asian British - Bangladeshi	4	30.77%	9	69.23%	13	0.09%
42 Asian/Asian British - Chinese	15	36.59%	26	63.41%	41	0.27%
43 Asian/Asian British - Any other Asian background	44	44.00%	56	56.00%	100	0.66%
44 Black/Black British - African	67	32.06%	142	67.94%	209	1.38%
45 Black/Black British - Caribbean	24	41.38%	34	58.62%	58	0.38%
46 Black/Black British - Any other Black background	27	50.94%	26	49.06%	53	0.35%
47 Arab	26	34.21%	50	65.79%	76	0.50%
98 Other	65	39.63%	99	60.37%	164	1.08%
99 Not Known/Provided	45	26.63%	124	73.37%	169	1.11%
Ethnic Group						
(31-34) White	8015	58.93%	5586	41.07%	13601	89.50%
(35-38) Mixed / Multiple ethnic group	130	50.39%	128	49.61%	258	1.70%
(39-43) Asian / Asian British	240	39.41%	369	60.59%	609	4.01%
(44-46) Black / African / Caribbean / Black British	118	36.88%	202	63.13%	320	2.11%
(47-99) Other ethnic group	136	33.25%	273	66.75%	409	2.69%
Grand Total	8639	56.85%	6558	43.15%	15197	100.00%

Management of the SES

The management of Equality and Diversity lies with the Vice Principal and the Director of HR. The Equality and Diversity Management Group, which includes a Governor member, is charged with setting the strategic direction for the College and measuring progress. The Equality and Diversity Committee is chaired by the Head of Student Services and reports to the Management Group. The Committee, which comprises both staff and students, takes a full and active role within the impact assessment of policies and engaging with staff and students that is led by the Director of HR.

Monitoring Progress

Students

Student data is reviewed on a regular basis and results published on an annual basis in terms of a range of different factors including age, gender, ethnicity and LDD. An annual report that includes student indicators is provided to the Corporation. Specific E&D training and information sessions are provided for all learners through the tutorial programme and through cross-college themed events.

Staff

Staff data is reviewed on a regular basis and results published on an annual basis in terms of age, gender, Learning Difficulties and Disabilities and BME. An annual report is provided to the Corporation on both staff and student indicators. Staff training on Equality & Diversity is provided annually.

Equality Impact Assessments

These are carried out by focus groups, including the Equality and Diversity Committee which comprises both staff and students. All policies have been screened, with five identified as requiring a full impact assessment – the outcome of the full assessment confirmed there were no discriminatory elements.

Publicising our scheme and progress

This new SES and updated action plan is available on the College website. We will also publish key data on the website on an annual basis. A brief guide to the SES has been made available to all staff, students, Governors and employers as part of information about the College. This will be updated on an annual

basis as the SES is reviewed. The action plan (See Appendix 3) is reviewed and monitored at the Equality and Diversity Management group, which meets six times a year. The College is gained Investors in Diversity recognition in February 2012 and action plans are monitored by the Equality and Diversity Management Group.

APPENDICES

Appendix 1 SES Action plan

Appendix 1

SES Action Plan September 2017 – March 2018

Action	Responsible person	When	Evidence	Progress update
<p>Annual Publishing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Publish revised SES and action plan • Formal report to SLT on a termly basis 	<p>HR Director</p> <p>E&D Lead</p>	<p>May 2018</p> <p>Rolling programme</p>	<p>Published on website and circulated to all stakeholders</p> <p>Reports to SLT</p>	<p>Refreshed plan for 2017/18</p>
<p>EDI training</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All new staff to participate in E&D training and existing staff to attend refresher training annually • Student training – specific focus on E&D in each curriculum area through tutorials, promotion of ECM and Respect • New Governors to receive E and D training 	<p>HR Director</p> <p>Assistant Principal and Head of Student Services</p> <p>Clerk to Corporation</p>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>Ongoing throughout the year</p> <p>New Governor training organised as required</p>	<p>CPD records</p> <p>Delivery captured through PA evidence. Cross-college events include student feedback and reports</p> <p>Delivery takes place involving all new Governors</p>	<p>Uptake to be monitored by Director of HR and reported to E&D Management Group</p> <p>Ongoing- more student training planned for 2018/19 in each curriculum area – to be monitored by the E&D Management Group</p> <p>Dates being confirmed for refresher training</p>

Action	Responsible person	When	Evidence	Progress Update
<p><i>Analysis of staff and student data</i></p> <p>Student</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Curriculum Areas to continue to review student data by age, gender, BME and LD and D Include analysis in QIP Accountability of academic performance reviewed Governor member of the E&D Management Group to report on progress to Full Corporation Review at mid- year progress made <p>Staff</p>	<p>Curriculum Managers</p> <p>Curriculum Managers</p> <p>Assistant Principal</p> <p>Governor member of the E&D Management group</p> <p>Director of Quality</p> <p>Director of HR</p>	<p>As part of ongoing SAR process</p> <p>Curriculum Managers to present their area performance on reach and impact to the E&D Management Group on a planned basis: dates agreed across the academic year 2018/19</p> <p>Regular performance reports</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Specific mid-year review focus</p> <p>January each year</p>	<p>Improvement plans stored centrally on public drive</p> <p>Reports to E&D Management Group</p> <p>Reports to Full Corporation</p> <p>Reports to Full Corporation</p> <p>Mid-year reviews received by Quality Unit and reviewed at E and D Management Group</p>	<p>Ongoing as part of SAR process and performance management</p> <p>Continuing</p> <p>Active Governor involvement since October 2011</p> <p>Mid-year review focus continues each February</p> <p>Data for 2017/18 is included in this report</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff data to be analysed on annual basis and any resulting action to be included in action plan 			Formal report to Full Corporation; review of action plan at E and D Management Group	
<p>Learner Involvement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> E and D awareness raising delivered via tutorial programme Learner membership on E and D Committee Learner involvement in cross college events 	Head of Student Services	Tutorial focus	Tutorial programme	Ongoing
	Head of Student Services	Ongoing	Minutes of E and D committee	Ongoing
	Head of Student Services	Ongoing	Evidenced through recordings and reports	Ongoing
<p>Teaching and Learning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Involvement by Quality team in annual E and D 'walk-through' peer quality process Learning coaches to support embedding of E&D through Coaching network 	Director of Quality	'Walk-through' quality processes continue	Evidence of findings cascaded and monitored through to each programme area	'Walk-through' approach continues
	Director of Quality	Coaching sessions focussed on supporting sustainable development of staff	Feedback from Class visits and PDR	

