

**Coast to Capital  
Learning Facilities Fund: Grant Request Form**

Colleges must return **one** electronic copy of the signed and completed Request Form and supplementary information Ron Crank, Chief Executive, Coast to Capital via the following email address: [skillscapitalfund@coast2capital.org.uk](mailto:skillscapitalfund@coast2capital.org.uk) and ensure that it is submitted by **1pm on 29 May 2015**.

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<b>Learning Facilities Fund Allocation:</b>	<b>£200,000</b>
<b>1. Use of Learning Facilities Fund Grant Allocation Details</b>	
<b>Project Title</b>	Condition Improvement Project
<b>Project location (including postcode)</b>	Plumpton College Ditchling Road East Sussex BN7 3AE

**Summary of capital works proposed and estimate of costs**

**[250 words]**

The additional grant funding will greatly enhance the planned modernisation of a range of areas within the College's provision. The proposed works are in line with the criteria indicated particularly in the areas of continued renewal and modernisation of the College estate, within the College's overall estate development plans, and the following proposals support economic growth especially in priority LEP areas such as engineering and further encourages the development of apprentice provision. Capital works proposed as below with further details listed in the rationale below.

**1) Improving learning experience, teaching quality and progression into employment and economic growth.**

Develop engineering facilities in current multi skills machinery workshop by improving heating and enlarge the provision of more sophisticated and up to date GIS teaching equipment. £48,000

Update computing facilities for both engineering and general classrooms with the provision of new interactive whiteboards. £41,500

Improve classroom lighting including the removal of asbestos ceiling tiles within parts of the main College building. £26,100

Improve facilities for outdoor education students to enable a greater range of equipment to be demonstrated and update drying rooms. £14,900

Alterations to veterinary nursing teaching area with provision of more demonstration facilities especially for vet nursing CPD courses. £17,500

Improve teaching facilities within equine demonstration building and conversion of area for practical skills teaching for employers and current students. £18,500

**2) Legal requirements, security, promoting safeguarding and achieving running cost efficiencies**

Extend College CCTV systems to areas of campus currently not covered by cameras £12,500

Further extend College access controls to zoned areas and increase associated perimeter fencing to improve security. £15,500

**3) Running cost efficiencies**

Extend existing BMS heating management systems to new buildings. £17,500

Upgrade heating system within College Business Management employer training facilities to enable more efficient control of heating and air conditioning and improvement of environment. £10,200

Replace old windows in science laboratories £15,300

VAT £47,500

Total £285,000

**Impact of Investment**

Complete the table below to show the area of estate in eMandate condition A, B, C and D before and after completion of the works:

**Table 1: Impact of proposed works on areas and condition**

GIA (m2) and percentage of estate in condition category A, B, C and D (before works [1])	%	GIA (m2) and percentage of estate in condition category A, B, C and D (after works) [2]	%	Change in condition of GIA (m2) and percentage of estate as a result of the works = [2-1]	%
A: 10474	56.8	A: 10698	58.1	A: +224	+1.3
B: 3891	21.1	B: 4065	22.0	B: +174	+0.9
C: 3996	21.7	C: 3648	19.8	C: -348	-1.9%
D: 50	0.3	D: 0	0	D: -50	-0.3
Total: 18411	100	Total: 18411	100	Total:	

**Rationale for Investment:**

**[Up to 500 words]**

The funding will enable the College to progress its estate development and capital investment programme at a faster rate than current financial forecasts will permit.

The rationale for the expenditure itemised above is to support as many proposed outcomes as possible within the College's estate development strategy to obtain maximum value for money.

The development within the engineering teaching facilities will improve the learning experience and provide for more specialist equipment. Proposals include the installation of an improved efficiency heating system within the workshops combined with extra insulation which in addition to enhancing the environment for learners will also reduce running costs.

The provision of more specialist equipment for both Level 2 and Level 3 learners will include updating the College's engine management IT analysis equipment and further provision of GPS/GIS teaching equipment and facilities.

Updating the classroom computer facilities with additional interactive whiteboards will enable the College to keep abreast of current learning environment technologies. The provision of further IT infrastructure will enable significant differentiated teaching to occur with individualised learning packages catering for a wider range of abilities. This will help teaching as group sizes increase.

The areas of the grant scheduled to be allocated to security will support all learners especially those who may be more vulnerable within the College environment. Ensuring that facilities within the estate environment are up to date regarding safeguarding is very important within the College's strategy. The proposed expenditure will enable further CCTV cameras to be installed in areas that are currently more isolated along with additional security fencing.


The College's access control system can be extended to further areas within the College estate in order to improve security for students and learners in these particular environments and reducing opportunist/unwanted visits by uninvited guests. These will be linked to the College's central monitoring system.

Despite recent funding restrictions the College has worked hard to reduce its running cost with various efficiency initiatives. A BMS (Building Management System) successfully installed in the main College buildings will be extended to additional buildings with consequent reduction in running costs due to the system's ability to monitor temperatures and control boilers remotely.

The heating control system within the College's Rural Business Management Training Centre requires upgrading to manage individual environments within the building. This is important for this particular aspect of the College's work because it will enable the College to further develop its successful employer /employee training facility within the college. The current facility is used extensively for employers and employee training.

<b>Total works</b>	<b>[Costs incurred from 1 April 2015]</b>  £ No costs incurred to date.
<b>cost:</b>	Total cost, including College contribution: <b>£285,000</b>
<b>LEP grant:</b>	<b>£200,000</b>
<b>% of total works costs:</b>	<b>70%</b>
<b>College contribution:</b>	<b>£85,000</b>
<b>% of total works cost:</b>	<b>30 %</b>

### 3. Declaration and Signature

<b>Declaration:</b>	<b>I certify that the information provided in this form is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge. I accept the criteria and conditions for the use of the LEP's Learning Facilities Fund grant.</b>
<b>Signature (College Principal)</b>	
<b>Print Name</b>	D P Lambert
<b>Date</b>	27 <sup>th</sup> May 2015