

# Treloar's Looks Forward

Since its foundation in 1907, Treloar's has repeatedly transformed itself to meet the demands of the day, first of all with the acquisition of the Froyle estate in the 1950s following the foundation of the National Health Service, then with the move to co-education and opening of the Holybourne campus in the 1970s, and most recently with the co-locating of the School, College and Trust on to the single campus. Over the forthcoming decade Treloar's must once again adapt itself to meet the changing demand for its services necessitated by unprecedented local authority funding pressure, localism and changing disability demographics

Treloar's wide ranging strategic review to address these challenges concludes that:

- The focal point of the charity remains on educating physically disabled young people, substantially at Holybourne
- We develop our reach to impact the life of more beneficiaries and reduce risk with a broader College curriculum, a Children's Home and a Life Skills Centre at the forefront of our plans
- We maintain a focus on quality, whilst recognising the need to provide value for money
- *Recognising that our staff and facilities are key assets at the heart of our services, we invest in strategies to attract develop and retain skilled staff and continue to update our facilities*
- We build on our place in the community welcoming visitors, providing outreach and actively helping young and physically disabled into employment and community living.

Inevitably these recommendations involve an investment in the Holybourne campus, with a new horticulture facility, staff accommodation and a new Life Skills Centre foremost in our thinking.

The site plan shows where new and refurbished buildings will be sited within the campus. In particular the area where two new bungalows (each for around 5 young people) is shown in orange in the North East corner of the campus together with a revamped horticulture facility (green) and a life skills centre (yellow). Also notable is the new staff accommodation (light blue – Northwest campus) where a 35-40 room staff accommodation building is planned. This is likely to be a sensitively designed single story building screened from view with planting and the use of a berm. Much of the central parts of the campus will be refurbished in broadly the existing envelope though administrative offices (in the claret colour) may be added on the first floor. The school is also hoping that the footpath that traverses the grounds and which has been a longstanding Safeguarding concern can be moved and hopes to agree with users an alternative/better route.

Treloar's reiterates that the purpose behinds these plans is not to grow numbers beyond the 216 originally planned for the site but to adapt its model to a changing and challenging market and maximise the benefit it can provide to its young beneficiaries.

Treloar's welcomes comments on this and asks that these be addressed to [info@treloar.org.uk](mailto:info@treloar.org.uk)