# Improving the Ofsted Judgement \*

## Meeting the needs of Young People & Employers

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#### **Outcomes for Learners**

- New MIS system
- Rigorous interrogation of data
- Ambitious targets set
- Results pleasing: excellent retention, improved pass rate and high grades at AS

 Further areas for improvement to be addressed



#### Areas for Improvement

- High grades, especially at A2
- Value-added, especially at AS
- Small number of consistently underperforming subjects including Chemistry, Art & Design,...
- Narrow the gap between the progress made by boys as compared to girls



#### Teaching, Learning & Assessment

- New diagnostic assessment tool BksB
- Extensive training delivered
- New lesson observation process
- Lessons graded >2 trigger re-observation
- Performance managed for those who don't quickly improve



#### Other Developments in T, L & A

- Outstanding practice recognised and celebrated
- Collaborative links established with Durham University, Egglescliffe school
- Plans to take a number of SCITT students on placement



#### Leadership & Management

- New model of governance adopted
- More diverse GB = challenge, ambition
- New Principal appointed from 'outstanding' college
- Rejuvenating links with partner schools and other stakeholders



#### Public Image & Reputation

- New Marketing Manager>>corporate identity,
   new website = increased visibility
- Schools Liaison team established
- Enrolment targets not met but decline halted
- Public perceptions survey commissioned and ongoing

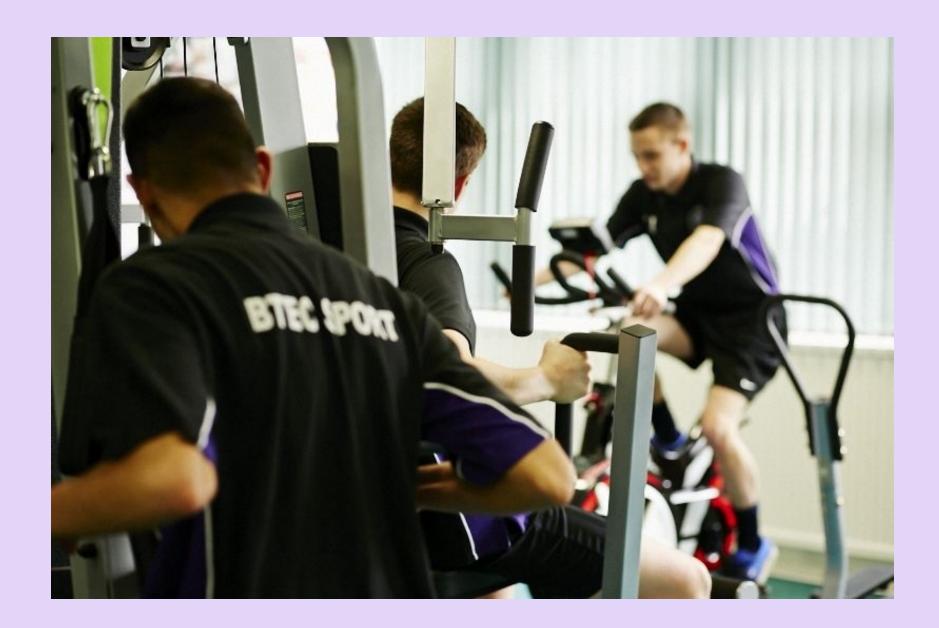


### Programmes for Young People...

Revised approach to enrolment to add value

- Alternatives to A level/GCSE on offer
- BTECs at L2 and L3 proved very successful
- Excellent and outstanding outcomes on ALL our vocational courses

Creative approach to in-year enrolments



#### ...And Employers

- Positive destinations exceed many other local providers
- Our students seek employment and apprenticeships as well as university places
- >50% want to stay 'local'

 Links forged with Economic Regen. team at SBC



#### Looking to the Future

- Courses with unconventional start dates to run over 4 days; work, work experience or volunteering on the 5<sup>th.</sup>
- Also, courses to foster enterprise and entrepreneurial spirit, in collaboration with Thornaby Academy and with SBC's help.

We are eager to work with local post-16
providers, SBC and schools for the mutual benefit
of colleges and the community.

