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Dear Mr Perry

Ofsted survey inspection programme – 14-19 reforms

Thank you for your hospitality and co-operation, and that of your staff and students during my visit on 30 September 2008 as part of our survey on 14-19 developments in the local area.

The visit provided valuable information which will contribute to our national evaluation and reporting. Published reports are likely to list the names of the contributing institutions, but individual institutions will not be identified in the main text.

Overall, the contribution the school is making towards the implementation of the Diplomas and functional skills by the consortium is very good. I outline the main findings as bulleted points below.

The main strengths are:

- the commitment and full participation of staff in contributing to the successful planning and preparation for the IT and engineering Diplomas
- particularly effective collaboration and strong links with partner schools and employers
- very good approaches to advice, information and guidance on the Diplomas
- particularly effective induction day that prepared students well for the engineering Diploma.

Area for further development:

- implementation of plans to increase and improve the resources and facilities for engineering Diploma students.

If there are any points or aspects of the visit you wish to discuss, please get in touch. As we will be evaluating the survey, you may be contacted in the future to

find out your views. I hope you will contribute to this evaluation. Thank you once again.

Yours sincerely

Joy Montgomery
Her Majesty's Inspector