



9INE CONSULTING

PRIORITY SCHOOLS BUILDING PROGRAMME

ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC COLLEGE



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PSBP, IT Health Check, Capital Build and Refurbishment

ABOUT THE SCHOOL

All Saints Catholic College is a mixed 11-16 specialist humanities college located in Huddersfield, West Yorkshire. As part of the Government's Priority Schools Building Programme the College will be moving into a newly constructed building in 2016.

As part of the Priority Schools Building Programme the College is responsible for determining the ICT need for the new building. It needs to determine the requirement for the new building, ensure the infrastructure

will be provided to meet their needs, specify the requirements where needs aren't met, provide configuration design detail for the active infrastructure, create a transition plan, make-up for any shortfall in ICT for the new build, configure equipment that has been moved and commission all but the building management systems. Within the building contract, the builder has to provide data cabling, switching and wireless only, all other infrastructure needs to be supplied by the College.

HOW 9INE HELPED

Aware that they needed to consider and fully understand the IT aspects ahead of the start of the capital build project, especially given that it would only provide limited ICT



provision, the College approached 9ine for independent support and advice to be able to plan effectively for their new building.

9ine carried out a targeted IT Health Check which included a number of days onsite to understand the College's current IT provision and role in the classroom and to speak with leaderships teams, students, staff, governors and parents to understand aspirations for future use of technology within the new building. 9ine also reviewed all documentation around the capital build project to understand risks, roles and responsibilities in order to ensure the College had a clear view of what was expected of them.

WHAT 9INE DELIVERED

In detail, the 9ine IT Health Check included:

- An on-site systems architecture performance review to understand what changes were needed to improve existing issues and what investment was required to account for the new build.
- An on-site strategy review to determine how the College currently used technology and the impact on the curriculum.
- An off-site Sandpit workshop that articulated what the College needed to do to inform the building design and construction stages.
- The creation of a high-level transition plan and budget - providing the College with confidence that they knew what they needed to do and how much it would cost.
- Development of a whole College ICT vision so everyone understood how the College would use ICT effectively to enhance teaching and learning. In the development of this vision we de-mystified the technology, providing the College with the right information to make decisions on why they needed technology, how they can use it effectively, and lastly, what technology they needed.

OUTCOMES

- A plan for the College for the next 12-18 months detailing the necessary actions required in order to prepare for the new building,
- An understanding of what the technology provision in the new building will look like and how they can ensure they are able to meet their vision.
- A detailed cost breakdown for the ICT equipment that will be required to meet the College's vision for ICT provision within the new building.
- A clear understanding of the IT risks and opportunities of the capital build project as a whole, and a better view of project roles and responsibilities and areas that the College must undertake.

STAFF FEEDBACK

"We found the conduct of the visit, report findings and recommendations and detailed appendices very useful and informative. It has provided us with a clear plan for ICT development in the context of our new build."

Stephen Cooke,

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