



WAVERLEY ABBEY
COLLEGE

Statement of Vision, Mission and Values

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The original vision of CWR as expressed by its founder Selwyn Hughes was to establish a place of learning and engagement centred on Christian principles that, together with a wide ranging publishing house would enrich the lives of individuals, communities and ultimately nations.

Waverley Abbey College oversees CWR's well-established and highly regarded Counselling School, a leading provider of counselling training to graduate and postgraduate level.

The Stapleford Centre has long been a leading provider of school resources for Religious Education, worship and Christian leadership. Waverley Abbey College is taking forward the rich legacy of Stapleford's work.

The College also plans to develop learning opportunities and enrichment programmes for other areas of public life such as politics, the media, medicine and commerce.

So many areas of transformational and progressive areas of public life such as social care, medicine, employee well-being and science have been greatly influenced by Christian thought, vision and compassion. It is the aim of Waverley Abbey College to continue to build on this rich legacy.

Waverley Abbey College: A Vision

Waverley Abbey College will provide a place where people from many backgrounds, worldviews and beliefs will be able to engage with Christian perspectives on life in order to enrich their own lives, their work and the life of the community for the common good.

The College will

- Provide excellent courses, teaching, research and resources and thus facilitate students to reach their full academic and professional potential
- Help support people in their workplaces and chosen profession so that they may better impact the people they interact with, be they a next door neighbour or a colleague in another continent
- Integrate Christian faith into the practice of learning in a higher education environment
- Establish a wide geographical reach through our partnerships and students, ranging from the local to the global
- Work closely with our linked publishing house to provide printed and digital resources to enhance learning
- Provide excellent teaching environments that enhance study and a collegiate approach to learning

Values to which the College aspires

- Our Christian worldview asks that our relationships are based on respect, care and love for staff and students alike.
- Our ethos is that the values of the Christian faith may be fruitfully utilised in ongoing educational learning and development.
- Our invitation is to people who wish to develop, both personally and professionally, and relate to each other modelling our unity in our diversity.
- Our belief is that, by embracing a considered ethical and moral stance, we are able to transform society, both locally and globally by our practice.

- Our aspiration is to provide a learning environment where people can explore their faith and see growth, development and maturity and, in turn, share their experiences with others.