

## **EXTERNAL GOVERNANCE REVIEW**

It is a Department for Education requirement that all Further Education Colleges commission an external review of governance at least every three years. Sandwell College commissioned the Association of Colleges to undertake such a review which was carried out by Martin McNeill during the period March to July 2024.

The overall conclusion of the review was that “The review has found that the Board has in recent years had a significant impact on College strategy, effectiveness and outcomes and has the capacity to do so in the future, but to ensure this should seek to review and streamline some of its governance practice”.