

# 22-25

STRATEGIC PLAN

# MAKING LEARNING WORK



Forth Valley College



# Our Mission, Purpose and Values

Making Learning Work is Forth Valley College’s mission statement. It is also the fundamental basis with which we place students and their learning at the centre of a fully integrated learning “ecosystem”.

Making Learning Work symbolises our commitment to ensuring we provide highly successful, integrated, whole college systems, providing high quality learning that leads to tangible positive outcomes and doing so in a way that is inclusive, efficient and sustainable.

Our purpose is to ‘deliver the right learning at the right time in the right way for the communities of Forth Valley’.

## CORE VALUES



**RESPECTFUL**

Fully inclusive



**INNOVATIVE**

Aspirational, empowering and encouraging



**TRUSTED**

Genuine and transparent



**EXCELLENT**

Strive to be the best in everything we do

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# Welcome



As we move from two years of uncertainty and upheaval due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and taking on board a number of the positive lessons from our agile and flexible response, we are confident that Forth Valley College is emerging stronger and more determined than ever to improve and enhance the lives of our students, staff and other key stakeholders in our regional economy and beyond.

Now more than ever, we are helping to shape our operating environment and ‘Making Learning Work’, by building new learning, teaching and training opportunities to help build a skilled workforce and lead the way in social and economic recovery.

As an anchor institution with a presence across the Forth Valley, we recognise our responsibility to ensure that educational opportunity is delivered in a way which supports economic and environmental sustainability for all our partners from schools, through business to the universities. With the opening of our new Falkirk Campus in 2020, to add to our wonderful facilities in Alloa and Stirling, our ambitious three campus estate plan is now complete. Through our Digital Academy and deployment of digital technology and staff training, we have now enabled a range of learning, teaching and training methods to suit all our students.

We are a college of choice providing a programme of professional development, improving the skills of our staff and the experience of our students through new and innovative practices and approaches. Our dynamic curriculum offers opportunities for all in a supportive, inclusive and sustainable environment.

Central to our ongoing success is a ground-breaking work-life balance and health and wellbeing programme for our staff and students. We are a college that recognises our leadership role in the region and we will enable a thriving college community.

**Ross Martin**  
Chair of the  
Board of Management



**Dr Ken Thomson OBE**  
Principal &  
Chief Executive



“I have never been so proud of the ‘College Family’ and the way in which the challenges resulting from the COVID-19 crisis have been dealt with. We have maintained our focus on Making Learning Work in unprecedented conditions to continue to deliver excellent outcomes for students, staff and our partners. On behalf of the Board, I would like to wholeheartedly thank Ken and the team for continuing to live up to that core strategic mission.

“As we look to the next five years, we are in an excellent position to continue to lead the way in college education, alongside our school and university partners, further developing academically, economically, socially and technically to push Forth Valley College on to even greater success.”

Ross Martin



# Our 4 Strategic Objectives



## College Strategies

Commercialisation & Skills • Communications & Marketing • Creative Learning & Technologies  
Digital Ambition • Estates • People • Student Journey



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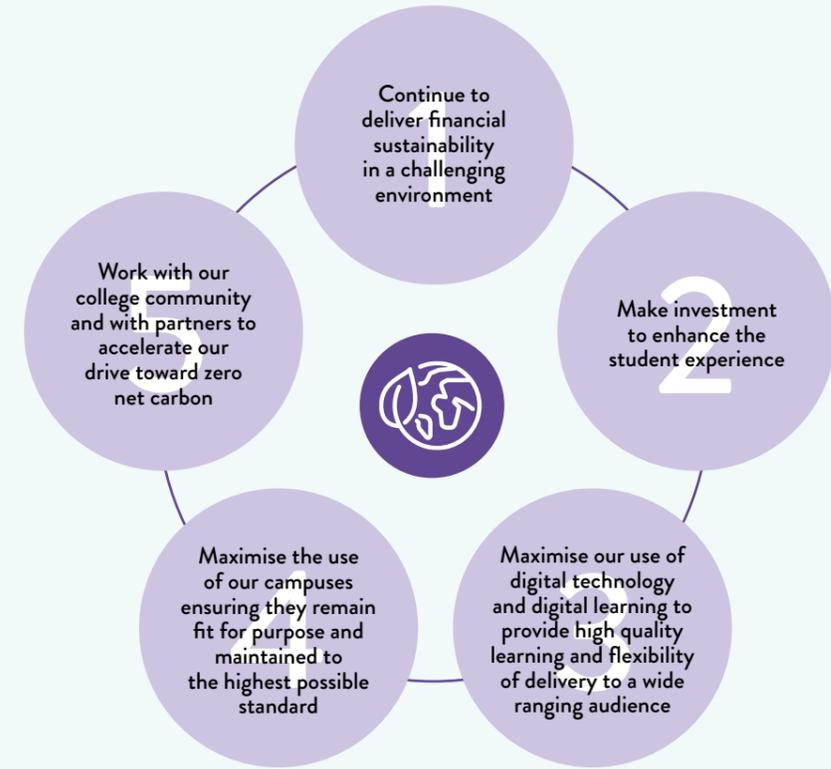
### 1. Leading on the Economic Recovery



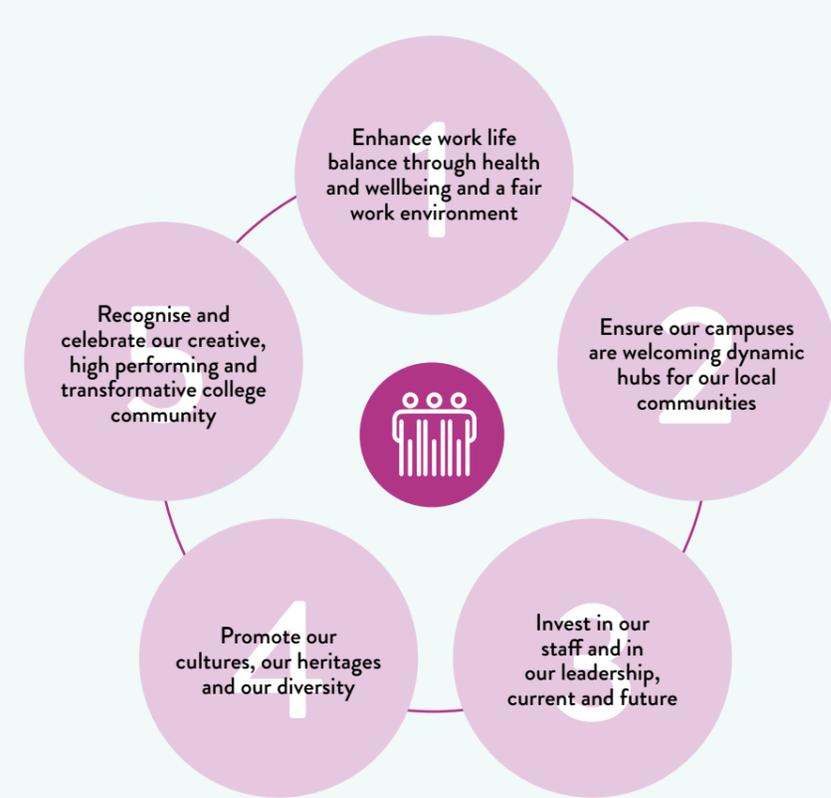
### 2. Delivering a Successful Student Journey



### 3. Driving a Sustainable Future



### 4. Creating a Thriving College Community



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