

# 2016/2017 PROVISIONS AT

# WILLIAM MORRIS

A NOT FOR PROFIT ORGANISATION

## WITH ROLLING ENTRY

William Morris is based in Gloucestershire, we provide residential and day opportunities to young adults with a wide range of learning difficulties and disabilities through programmes which incorporate work skills for employment, training, therapy, education, communication and community interaction.

Our inspiration is William Morris, an original 20th century thinker who pioneered the coming together of life, work and art in a community. Today, our services are designed to meet the emerging needs of the people we serve in a fast changing world.

For 40 years we have been helping young people from across the spectrum of learning difficulties and disabilities take control of their lives extending their skills so they can live in and contribute to their local communities.

We deliver high quality education and support to residents and learners, our campus facilities include: information technology resources, a library, woodwork, textiles, upcycling, recycling, art craft rooms together with a brand new café. For fun, we have a full events programme with activities such as discos, fayres and community lunches.

At the entrance to the Cotswolds close to the banks of the Stroud water canal, our grounds of 3 acres provide the ideal natural environment to deliver progress and development.

## William Morris College

- Education for high needs learners.
- Provided by professionally trained staff across a range of specialisms.
- CQC inspection rated 'Good'\*\*\* and Ofsted inspection rated 'Good\*\*'.
- 'Curriculum 24' provides structured bespoke 1:1 programmes.
- Careful assessment and monitoring of individual achievement and personal development.
- If appropriate this leads to nationally recognised accreditation APT and Edexcel BTEC.
- Day learning or residentially embedded 24 hour curriculum in Hiram and Merton Houses.



**"The whole focus of the work of the college changed from a community-based approach, which predominantly focussed on workshops where students could develop craft and creative skills, to a more structured approach to providing study programmes."** - Ofsted

# Bridging the Gap' with a residence at Bridge House

- 5 top specification cluster apartments with their own 24 hour team includes sleep in staffing.
- Residents have their own bedroom, lounge, kitchen and bathroom.
- Mutual Living areas to socialise - lounge, dining room and farmhouse kitchen.
- Supporting high needs residents with learning difficulties to live independently.
- Targeted personal development objectives including confidence and well-being.
- Integration in the campus and local community using independent travel.
- Bespoke daily programme and activities.
- Social enterprise opportunities in our workshops.
- Progressing to 'Active Lives, Active Futures' programme if appropriate.



**"An atmosphere of mutual respect prevails."** - Ofsted

# A Sensory environment with residence at Willow House



**"Oral communication skills are at the heart of students' programmes and all learn speaking and listening activities, with signing or symbol support where necessary."** - Ofsted

- A 7 bedroom house supporting 4 residents with their own staff team including nights.
- Common ground floor area with a large private secure sensory garden.
- Staff employ 'sensory communication specific' approaches to support communication.
- Creativity in communication and expression feature strongly within their experience.
- Daily schedules established on an individual and small group basis including therapies.
- Skills development around cooking, laundry and looking after their own belongings.
- A Supported programme that includes dedicated transport to access the community.
- When ready, access to community-based opportunities such as volunteering.

# Active Lives, Active Futures

- A day-based opportunities programme for young adults taking their first step into adulthood.
- Central to this provision is the development of choice and decision making.
- Activities are based around a ring of 20 social enterprises.
- Each client works to individual targets within real vocational placements.
- Supporting individual budgets or direct payments we follow best practice and deliver real independence.



**"Good education and training, literacy and numeracy are fully integrated into students' study programmes."** - Ofsted

For more information, head to [www.wmcc.ac.uk](http://www.wmcc.ac.uk).

Or call 01453 824025 to arrange a visit

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