



Area Review, B6FC and AMTC update.



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Rationale;

- Fewer, larger, more resilient and efficient providers
- More effective collaboration across institution types
- Long term sustainability
- Work with employers
- Quality of provision
- Financial management & planning



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Wave 3 commenced April 2016



Timeline;

- April & May 5 site visits commence
- 9th May Furness visit
- 16th May visit draft report
- 10th June stakeholder feedback received
- 13th June full meeting of area review team at Furness
- 11th July receipt of draft report on recommendations
- September 2016 Publication of final report



Key factor - Collaboration

Barrow 6th Form College - Background

- Pre area review
- Employs 35 teaching Staff
- 550 Enrolments 2015-16
- Graded Good – Ofsted April 2015
- 3 Miles from Furness College
- Served with a notice to financially improve January 2016
- Concern regarding loss of local A level provision



Barrow 6th Form College - Background

- Type B merger
- Regular meetings with EFA
- B6FC staff on Teacher terms & conditions
- Streamlining of staff inevitable – now ongoing
- Staff VR opportunities
- Planned to commence 1st August 2016
- Responsibility for assets & any liabilities



NORTH-WEST Evening Mail

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Barrow Sixth Form College principal David Batten, left, and Furness College principal Andrew Wren are in talks over a merger.

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Advanced Manufacturing & Technology Centre

Rationale;

- Meet future skills needs in Furness.
- Up-Skilling & Re-Skilling of staff
- Over next 5 years £1bn investment locally in Advanced Manufacturing by companies in Furness
- Raise participation in STEM subjects



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INSPIRED WORK



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Advanced Manufacturing & Technology Centre

Investment;

- £1.3m LEP.
- £750k HFECE
- £300k LEP (matched)
- Furness College funded
- £4m total
- 46 week build



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Advanced Manufacturing & Technology Centre

Resources;

- Extensive workshop
- Virtual welding suite
- Metrology
- Laser scanning arm
- CNC machines
- Latest 3D printing
- 8 Classrooms
- Sponsor meeting room





Thank you and any questions?

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