



# Three Towers

An Alternative Provision Academy

*Expanding Horizons*

## Statement on Provider Access

2020 - 2021

Review: as required by statutory guidance

## 1 Introduction

In January 2018 the Government introduced new careers education legislation requiring all maintained schools and academies to provide opportunities for learners to be given information about education and training opportunities from a range of education and training providers.

Ensuring appropriate destinations for our learners is a fundamental part of our role and TTAPA believes that supporting our learners to make informed choices about their careers will empower them as citizens in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

## 2 Learner Entitlement

Learners in years 8-11 are entitled:

- to find out about technical education qualifications and apprenticeships opportunities, as part of careers education which provides information on the full range of education and training options available at each transition point;
- to hear from a range of local providers about the opportunities they offer, including technical education and apprenticeships – through options evenings, assemblies and group discussions and taster events;
- to understand how to make applications for the full range of academic and technical courses.

## 3 Management of Provider Access Requests

### 3.1 Procedure

A provider wishing to request access should contact the **Mrs Janine Heyes**, Head of Vocational Learning to identify the most suitable opportunity for you.

Telephone: 01942 932760 Email: hindleyoffice@ttapa.net

### 3.2 Opportunities for Access

A number of opportunities are built into the school curriculum. Weekly timetabled lessons in PSHE at Key Stage 3 and WRL (work related learning) at Key Stage 4 offer providers an opportunity to speak to learners and/or their parents/carers. A notice period of three weeks is required to facilitate this.

The school policies on safeguarding and visitors set out our approach to allowing providers into school as visitors to talk to our learners.

## 4 Premises and Facilities

TTAPA is operating under the COVID19 restrictions until further notice, and as an alternative provision academy expects to stay open for all learners in line with DfE and PHE guidance. In order to ensure that we reduce risk all access to learners will be facilitated virtually using TEAMS during the 2020-21 academic year.

Under normal circumstances, TTAPA will make a space available for discussions between the provider and learners, as appropriate to the activity. The school will also make available AV and other specialist equipment to support provider presentations. This will all be discussed and agreed with Mrs Heyes, in advance of the visit.

Providers are welcome to provide copies of their prospectus or other relevant course literature at the office. Such material will be used in work related learning lessons in Key Stage 4; PSHE lessons in KS3 and be available in the Common Room which is available to learners at break and lunch times.