



## **Legal and charitable status**

Here you will find information on our legal status, and our status as an exempt charity.

### **Legal status**

Reaseheath College is a statutory Further Education Corporation (FEC) a corporate body created by an act of Parliament or Royal Charter, established under the Further and Higher Education Act 1992. The principal powers of a further education corporation are specified in section 18 of that Act.

### **Charitable status**

As a Further Education Corporation, the College has "exempt charity" status, which derives from the Charities Act 1993 (subsequently consolidated in the Charities Act 2011). Exempt charities benefit from charitable status but are not registered with the Charity Commission.

The College is subject to regulation by the principal regulator of FE and sixth-form college corporations, the Secretary of State for Education in England.

### **Charitable objects**

In accordance with its powers under the Further and Higher Education Act 1992, the objects of the College are the provision of further and higher education, undertaking research and publishing the results of that research.

In the context of those objects, the College's mission is to deliver education and research that shape lives and society.

### **Constitutional documents**

The main constitutional documents of the College are its Instruments and Articles of Government G2

The current Articles came into effect on 8<sup>th</sup> December 2016.

### **Trustees**

The members of the College's Board of Governors are also the Trustees of the College for the purposes of charity law.

### **Financial statements**

As part of its regulatory obligations, the College publishes its fully audited Financial Statements on an annual basis.