



## AMBITION AND OPPORTUNITY

### Priority

*Our priority is to raise individual and community ambitions and create the conditions of equality of opportunity in which those ambitions can be fulfilled.*

### Concerns

- 6th form education is not available at all high schools and this may affect the number of young people in the district who take A levels.
- Suffolk does not have a University.
- Large proportion of young people in their 20s move out of the area.
- Skills availability affects job opportunities and pay levels.

### What is being done

- West Suffolk College Learning Centre in Council's Belle Vue property, Sudbury.
- Support for the creation of a University Campus Suffolk in Ipswich.
- School inclusion and training programme at Great Cornard Upper School.
- "Active Sport" project to encourage excellence in sport.
- Ceramics project to provide training and work opportunities for young people with learning disabilities.
- Using the Arts to develop aspirations.



Lavendar Hall  
Kindergarten, Hadleigh

## PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

### Coming year

- Explore with Suffolk County Council the extent to which young people in the district continue their education after 16.

- A learning centre is being set up by Suffolk College at the new Hadleigh Business Centre.



Hadleigh Business and Learning Centre

### Over the following 3 years

- Explore the possibility of a further learning and business centre at Brantham.

### Within the 10 year period

- Create the right climate and lobby and work with partners and other agencies to raise individual and community ambition.
- Work with local businesses to establish their needs for educational and other skills and liaise with education providers.
- Promote training by Council contractors and organisations to whom the Council makes grants.
- Provide ongoing support for the creation of a University Campus Suffolk.
- Work with voluntary groups and the voluntary sector to increase opportunities.
- Champion people who help to deliver the Council's priorities.
- Encourage individuals, including young people, to be entrepreneurial.
- Develop and encourage excellence in sport and the arts.
- Make Business/Learning Centres available for wider community use.