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ATTFE College - Stakeholder Newsletter

Issue 13: Friday, 12th June 2026

Welcome to the ATTFE College Stakeholder Newsletter. Keeping you up-to-date with updates and news about ATTFE College activities, events, opportunities, and community initiatives

Our Stakeholder newsletters aim to share information about activities and opportunities relevant to local residents and organisations around ATTFE College campuses.

In this June edition, you will find information about:

- Events & Activities Recap
- Funding Opportunities
- Community Bulletin Board

- Upcoming Courses
- Wellbeing Materials
- Food Pantry Information

ATTFE College Activities



ATTFE College's Celebration of #VolunteersWeek Featured in News Journal

Our amazing volunteers make a huge difference every day, supporting learners, staff and the wider community through their dedication, passion and generosity.

As Principal Liz Barrett said: "Our volunteers truly embody the spirit and values of the college. Their commitment, passion and willingness to give their time make a real difference — not only to our learners and staff, but to the wider community we serve."

We're proud to continue spreading awareness and building community resilience through this important initiative.

Read the full article in the News Journal below:

[Learn More](#)



ATTFE College Wellbeing Walk

On the 29th May 2026, ATTFE College hosted a wellbeing walk at Sutton Lawn as part of Active Notts' Walk Notts campaign.

Staff, learners and members of the local community came together to enjoy a walk around the park, followed by a picnic featuring freshly made sandwiches and pastries.

It was a fantastic opportunity to connect, get active and enjoy the outdoors. The event was so well received that many attendees expressed an interest in making it a regular activity!

The walk was featured on News Journal. You can read more about it below:

[Learn More](#)



Big Milestones for #InThisTogether!

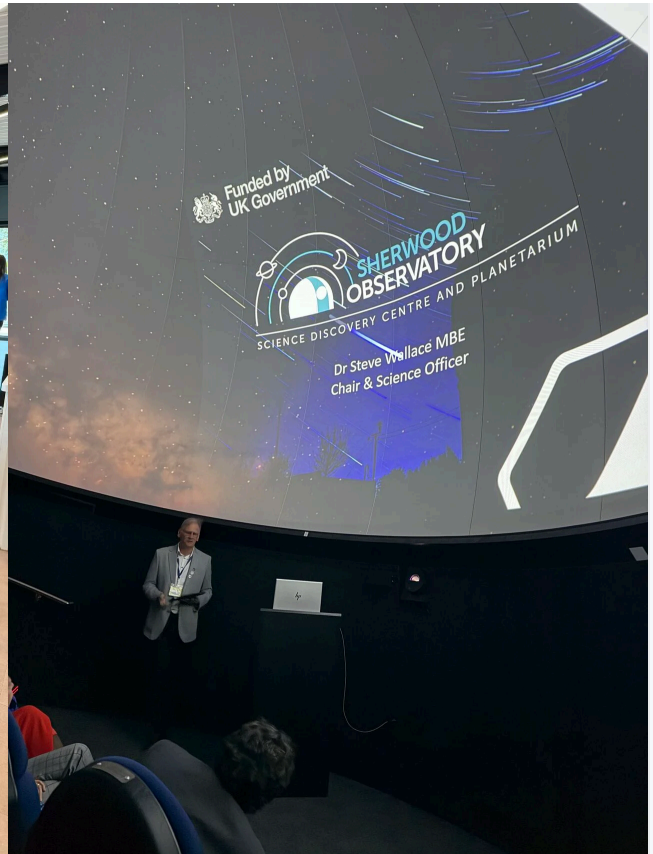
As of May 2026, the Stop the Bleed campaign continues to make a powerful impact within our communities! In numbers:

- 47,843 people have watched the Stop the Bleed video
- 6,492 people of all ages have now received Stop the Bleed training

Together, we are helping raise the awareness and equip more people with potentially life-saving skills.

You can watch our Stop the Bleed video on YouTube by pressing the button below:

[Watch the Video](#)



ATTFE Celebrating Education at Sherwood Observatory

Three weeks ago, Professor Veronica Pickering - the Lord-Lieutenant of Nottinghamshire - joined us in celebrating education and raising aspirations for young people across Nottinghamshire by sharing her inspiring personal journey.

A huge thank you as well to Fliss Miller from the East Midlands Combined County Authority and Steve Wallace MBE from Sherwood Observatory for their insightful discussions on how we can continue to strengthen education and opportunities for children and young people across the region.

We were also incredibly proud to have ATTFE College learners supporting the event, highlighting the value of further education, skills development, and creating brighter futures for all!

Funding Opportunities



Henry Smith Early Years Parenting Fund

The Early Years Parenting Fund will support organisations that improve the development of children most at risk of poor early childhood outcomes, by investing in effective, culturally grounded parenting support.

We want to support work that makes a clear contribution to children's physical health, social and emotional development, and cognitive development in the first five years of life.

In this round, we're focusing on communities where outcome gaps are largest. We aim to fund organisations that are trusted by the communities they serve and that can evidence the difference their work makes.

The Early Years Parenting Fund is part of our Getting Started funding priority, which supports families to give young children a strong start in life. In this fund, 'parents' includes any caregiver.

The closing date is 1 July 2026.

[Learn More](#)

Forte Charitable Foundation (formerly Trusthouse Charitable Foundation)

The Foundation provides **revenue funding rather than capital funding** and focuses on supporting organisations working in areas of significant deprivation across the UK. Applications are accepted year-round with no fixed deadlines. Their Small Grants Program is currently live.

Who can apply?

Eligible organisations include:

- Registered charities
- Charitable companies

Small Grants Programme

Grant size: £2,000–£10,000

Annual income limit: Up to £250,000

Focus: Community Support

Find out more information by clicking the button below.

[Learn More](#)

Funding to Support Disadvantaged Young People and Offenders

The Worshipful Company of Weavers has launched a new funding round through its charitable grants programme.

The fund's primary focus is on helping young offenders and ex-offenders, and other disadvantaged young people find pathways to meaningful employment and community participation. It also offers backing to smaller charities that work with underfunded groups within the criminal justice system.

Organisations eligible to apply include registered UK charities and charitable incorporated organisations (CIOs). In certain circumstances, community interest companies (CICs) may be considered.

There are two levels of funding:

- Small grants of up to £5,000
- Main grants with no formal cap, though many typical awards fall in the £10,000–£15,000 range.

The Charitable Grants Committee meets in February, June and October each year and the next application closing date is 12 March 2026.

Previously funded projects have included:

- Supporting disadvantaged young people (aged up to c. 30) to develop life-skills and access education, training or employment.
- Helping young offenders, ex-offenders and their families to reintegrate, overcome social and economic barriers, and make a positive contribution to society.
- Funding direct intervention work with women involved in or at risk of entering the criminal justice system – for example, mentoring, training or outreach for women facing abuse, exploitation or other vulnerabilities.
- Backing smaller, specialist organisations delivering bespoke services (rather than large generic programmes) – especially local charities operating at community level.
- Supporting initiatives aimed at preventing young people “at risk” of offending from entering the criminal justice system through early-intervention, mentoring or training programmes.

Applications close on 2 July 2026.

[Learn More](#)

Bulletin Board

ATTFE College's #InThisTogether Stakeholder Engagement Event

Thank you to everyone who has already confirmed their attendance at our upcoming ATTFE Stakeholder Engagement Event, taking place on 29 June from 6.00pm to 8.30pm at the Cornerstone Theatre, Sutton-in-Ashfield.

If you haven't yet responded, please see the invitation below for full event details and get in touch to confirm your place. We look forward to welcoming you.

[Confirm your attendance](#)



You are invited to ATTFE College's

#InThisTogether



STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT EVENT

We'd love you to join us as we celebrate the achievements of the past year and share your ideas to help shape our work and your community for 2026 and beyond.

Monday

June | 29 | 2026

6:00pm until 8:30pm

Venue:

Cornerstone Theatre

Sutton Community Academy
High Pavement, Sutton-in-Ashfield
Entrance near NG17 1BN



Confirm your attendance via our online form by scanning the QR Code or following the link, below:

<https://forms.office.com/e/F1K2fNAjAk>

Please RSVP by Friday, 19th June 2026

For more information, please contact **Molly.Strickland@attrust.org.uk**



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Share Your Feedback and Ideas

Your feedback is invaluable in helping us continue to improve and develop the services we offer.

We have created a new feedback form for organisations and partners who have worked with ATTFE College in recent months. Whether you've been involved in a course, project, or event, we would love to hear about your experience. Please follow the link below to share your feedback and help shape our future provision.

[Fill in our Feedback Form](#)

We are also currently planning our curriculum for the 2026/27 academic year. If there are any courses, training opportunities, or skills programmes you feel are needed within the local community, we would be delighted to hear your suggestions.

To share your ideas, please contact Dianne Holmes at dianne.holmes@attrust.org.uk.

Upcoming Shows at Cornerstone Theatre!

We have multiple exciting shows lined up at the Cornerstone Theatre, and we can't wait for you to join the fun!

You can check out our live and upcoming shows on **TicketSource** by clicking the button, below:

[TicketSource](#)

The logo for Cornerstone Theatre, featuring the words "CORNER" and "STONE" stacked vertically in a bold, white, sans-serif font on a black rectangular background.

CORNER
STONE

Upcoming Courses



Cooking & Healthy Eating

A practical and hands on cooking course supporting learners to learn more about eating a healthy balanced diet whilst learning how to cook new recipes.

Learners will complete a Level 1 Award in Understanding Nutrition and Health, through the completion of written workbook activities.

Fridays, 9.30am - 3pm

Starting 26th June until 9th July 2026

Venue:
ATTFE Shine Cafe
10 King Street,
Sutton-in-Ashfield, NG17 1AT

Course code: 25ASF301

Learners must be aged 19+ years and *FREE if you are eligible. Please contact us for more information on eligibility criteria.

Places are limited and should be booked in advance. For more information or to book, please contact us through college.info@attrust.org.uk or 01623 441310.



Gardening Skills

This Gardening Skills course provides learners with the knowledge, understanding and practical skills needed to develop confidence in garden design and horticulture.

The course is ideal for those looking to develop new skills, explore a career in gardening, or pursue higher-level qualifications in the future.

Thursdays, 10am - 12pm

Starting 25th June until 1st October 2026

Venue:
Rumbles Cafe
Sutton Lawn
Sutton-in-Ashfield, NG17 5FU

Course Code: 2526ASF009

Learners must be aged 19+ years and *FREE if you are eligible. Please contact us for more information on eligibility criteria.

Places are limited and should be booked in advance. For more information or to book, please contact us through college.info@attrust.org.uk or 01623 441310.

ESOL Courses

English for Speakers of Other Languages

This course is the perfect starting point for anyone whose first language is not English and who wants to **improve their speaking, listening, reading, and writing skills**.

Designed for **adults aged 19+**, it offers a supportive environment to build confidence in everyday communication and lay the foundations for further learning.

Upcoming courses

Course Code	Day & Time	Dates
26TL001	Fridays, 10am - 2pm	7 th August 2026 - 25 th September 2026

Sessions will take place at:
ATTFE College (adult learning)
Sutton Community Academy
Sutton-in-Ashfield
NG17 1BW

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*All courses are FREE to attend if you fulfill our eligibility criteria. Please contact us for further details. Places are limited and should be book in advance. To book, please email college.info@attrust.org.uk or call 01623 441310.



Fast Track Level 2 Certificate in Counselling Skills

The Level 2 Certificate in Counselling Skills course aims to introduce learners into the use of counselling skills in their everyday life of work.

The course is classroom based and is for learners who are keen to undertake counselling in more detail and is designed to give learners the underpinning knowledge, practical skills and competencies to use counselling skills ethically and safely in different contexts and roles.

Mondays, 9.30am - 2.30pm

Starting 7th September 2026 until 22nd February 2027

Venue:
Portland Pathways
Sutton-in-Ashfield
NG17 4AX

Course code: 26ASF003

Places will be limited and must be booked in advance. For more information regarding funding options or to book please contact ATTFE College on 01623 441310 or email college.info@attrust.org.uk.



Level 3 Certificate in Applied Counselling Studies

This qualification is designed for learners who have already achieved a recognised counselling skills qualification and are ready to take the next step towards becoming a professional counsellor.

The course will deepen your understanding of counselling theory, ethics and mental health, while helping you develop the practical skills, self-awareness and professional knowledge needed for counselling practice.

It also provides valuable preparation for working as a counsellor within an agency setting and supports progression towards professional counselling practice.

Mondays, 9.30am - 2.30pm

Starting 14th September 2026 until 7th June 2027

Venue:
Portland Pathways
Sutton-in-Ashfield
NG17 4AX

Course code: 26LCB005

Places will be limited and must be booked in advance. For more information regarding funding options or to book please contact ATTFE College on 01623 441310 or email college.info@attrust.org.uk.



Level 4 Certificate in Therapeutic Counselling

This two year part-time qualification gives learners the knowledge, skills and competencies to work as a therapeutic counsellor in an agency context. It is designed to lead to an employed or voluntary role in a counselling agency in both health care and non-medical settings.

Learners with sufficient experience can also begin working as independent practitioners in private practice.

You must have obtained both our Level 2 Certificate in Counselling Skills and our Level 3 Certificate in Counselling Studies, or their equivalent.

Wednesday, 9.30am - 2.30pm

Starting 9th September 2026 until 19th July 2028

Venue:
Portland Pathways
Sutton-in-Ashfield
NG17 4AX

Course code: 26LCB007

Places will be limited and must be booked in advance. For more information regarding funding options or to book please contact ATTFE College on 01623 441310 or email college.info@attrust.org.uk.

Here are a few of our upcoming courses at ATTFE College! Please keep an eye on our social media pages for the latest updates and information.

Alternatively, you can view a list of our upcoming courses on our website:

Upcoming Courses



If you're looking for something more flexible, we also offer a number of ONLINE courses such as mental health, counselling, retail, coding, and many more.

Our online courses provide the same high-quality education as our in-person courses with the added convenience of being able to learn from anywhere.

Scan the QR Code to go to our **Online Courses**

webpage!

For more details or to sign up, please contact 01623 441310 or email college.info@attrust.org.uk. Please don't forget to mention the course name and course codes when signing up.

Alternatively, you can fill out our Course Enquiry Form below:

Enquiry Form

Let's All Eat Food Pantry

Our weekly food pantries provide low cost food for families whilst reducing food waste. See below details to find out where your local food pantry is.

There is no need to book and no referral needed.

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For **£3.50 payments each week** you will receive between £12 - £15 worth of good quality food. A **£1 joining fee** applies to all to ensure a lifetime of membership to the 'Let's All Eat Pantry'. This is payable on your first visit along with the £3.50 for that week's food.

Please bring your own bag to carry your food items home.



Huthwaite Methodist Church

- Every Wednesday, 1.30pm - 3.30pm
- Location: Sherwood Street, Huthwaite, Sutton-in-Ashfield, NG17 2LX
- Contact information: 07867451424

St. John's Methodist Church

- Every Monday, 1.00pm - 3.00pm
- Location: Titchfield Avenue, Sutton-in-Ashfield, NG17 1EU
- Contact information: 07867451424

Lifespring Church and Oasis Cafe

- Every Thursday, 1.30pm - 3.30pm
- Location: Sherwood Drive, New Ollerton, Newark, NG22 9PP
- Contact information: 07867451424

On a Tuesday evening 4-7pm, we offer good quality high value food at the Lifespring Church through the 'Stay and Eat Social Hub'.

LET'S ALL EAT FOOD PANTRY
SUTTON-IN-ASHFIELD

Let's help reduce food waste!
We use surplus food from supermarkets to support the reduction of food waste and ensuring food sustainability. Through our food pantries, people are able to access affordable healthy food which reduces landfill whilst enabling money to stretch further.

Every Monday from 1pm until 2:30pm
St John's Methodist Church,
Titchfield Avenue,
Sutton-in-Ashfield, NG17 1EU

£1 Lifetime membership fee
£3.50 each week for your food box
Each food box contains an equivalent of £12 - £15 worth of food.

No referrals needed, no qualifications required as everyone is welcome! Just come along and access the support you need in a welcoming space.

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LET'S ALL EAT FOOD PANTRY
HUTHWAITE

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Every Wednesday from 1.30pm until 3pm
Huthwaite Methodist Church
Sherwood Street,
Huthwaite, NG17 2LX

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LET'S ALL EAT FOOD PANTRY
OLLERTON

Let's help reduce food waste!
We use surplus food from supermarkets to support the reduction of food waste and ensuring food sustainability. Through our food pantries, people are able to access affordable healthy food which reduces landfill whilst enabling money to stretch further.

Every Thursday from 1pm until 2:30pm
Lifespring Centre & Oasis Cafe
Sherwood Drive
New Ollerton, NG22 9PP

£1 Lifetime membership fee
£3.50 each week for your food box
Each food box contains an equivalent of £12 - £15 worth of food.

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#WellbeingWednesday

Resources on our Website

We compiled a bunch of wellbeing resources on our ATTFE College website. From exercise videos, wellbeing materials, and information regarding our Mental Health First Aiders, you can find them there!

To go to our Wellbeing Page you can click, here: [Wellbeing - ATTFE College Webpage](#)

Resources on our YouTube Channel

On our YouTube channel, we host multiple wellbeing resources such as Tai Chi, beginners exercise, yoga videos and many more!

You can go to our YouTube channel, here: [ATTFE College - YouTube Channel](#)

Make sure to subscribe so you don't miss anything, and feel free to share with your friends and family!

REMINDER

TAKE A BREATH.

PAUSE FOR A MOMENT.
INHALE DEEPLY, EXHALE
SLOWLY. LET THE CHAOS
FADE AWAY—YOUR PEACE
STARTS WITH THIS BREATH.

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