



# The Recovery College

FOR THE BLACK COUNTRY

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## An update from Kerry Wilkes, Principal

*Welcome to our Autumn term!*

Thank you to all of our students who were able to join us at the Summer end of term celebration. It was a fantastic day, filled with celebration and showcasing the amazing talents of our students, with music, singing, poetry and artwork.

At the Celebration we launched our new branding ,website and the Recovery college Hub. Please do log on and have a look. We would really welcome your feedback.

And the exciting news just keeps coming. As part of the Community Transformation Project the Recovery college is set to expand across the Black Country in April 2022,. We look forward to working with our students, volunteers and communities to design and develop The Recovery College for the whole of the Black country. Watch this space for opportunities to get involved.

For the new courses this term  
check out our website  
[www.therecoverycollege.co.uk](http://www.therecoverycollege.co.uk)  
or ask for a Autumn timetable  
to be posted out to you.

I would like to thank everyone for making last term a success and welcome all of our new students joining us this term.

*Kerry Wilkes*

# New Logo and branding launch

What a journey we have been on!



I'm sure everyone remembers the original TRC LOGO which was finalised and launched in September 2015 with a huge amount of input from Mark Semczyszyn and the then Recovery College Lead, students and volunteers.

As the recovery college has evolved and grown over time (with the expansion into Wolverhampton and the community provision in Sandwell) a new identity / look was suggested and explored in 2019. Ideas and concepts were developed with our students and volunteers and the branding was co-produced and re-developed from the original TRC logo to a new concept of the Recovery College Tree logo signifying both growth of the college and the journey our students take on joining us.

We were very pleased to release our new design branding at the recent celebration.

This is our fresh new look! The roundel which is made up of the leaves of the Recovery College tree. The colours of the tree represent the five elements of CHIME  
Connectedness : Hope and Optimism :  
Identity : Meaning and Purpose :  
Empowerment  
and represents everything we do at the Recovery College.



So now we had a fantastic new look we needed to update our website. Again with the help and input from Mark and our Development Group students and staff we invite you to look at our new website and please give us some feedback

[www.therecoverycollege.co.uk](http://www.therecoverycollege.co.uk)

We are incredibly proud of our RC Hub - a new part of the website which is a digital resource library for people living in the Black Country. The project was funded by Health Education England and fully co-produced by our students and volunteers. It's a work in progress and is being updated all the time and we would love to hear your suggestions for links, videos podcasts etc



What if .....  
 These are Your Dreams  
 for the Recovery College  
 Expansion

Everything we do at the Recovery College is guided by Principles that have been designed in partnership with staff, students and volunteers. Each month we will look at a new one. This is our first one

*We are rooted in learning together*

but what does this mean

We put co-design, co-production and co-delivery at the heart of all our planning

We choose collaboration and partnership over working in isolation

The What If events were held to discover what you would want from the Recovery College as it expands across the Black Country. It's not too late to have your say -

Get in touch and let us know what you think

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