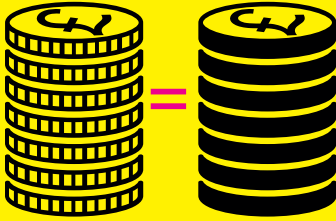


# 1

## Maintain funding

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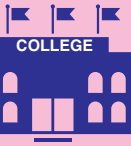


The government must maintain current funding levels for all publicly-funded post-16 institutions.

# 2

## Mandate collaborative working

ADULT EDUCATION



UNIVERSITY



PRISON EDUCATION



Institutions should be required to work collaboratively together across higher and further education to benefit both students and the wider national interest.

## Protect students

# 3

A return to normal operations in the autumn is not a sure thing – the government should convene representatives from the sector, including exam bodies, student groups and unions, to agree clear pathways for all learners.

Examinations

Uni + debt

Low-paid work



# UCU

University and College Union

The impact of the Coronavirus pandemic on post-16 education and its recovery.

## SEVEN ACTION POINTS FOR GOVERNMENT

The further and higher education sectors have always been a critical part of the social and economic fabric of the UK and will be crucial to our recovery from the damage done by the Covid-19 crisis.

In the wake of huge financial uncertainty, the sector needs a clear and coherent government plan aimed at retaining capacity and maximising the positive impact that further and higher education can make upon recovery.

## Retain all existing staff

# 4



Recovery will depend on the retention of highly qualified teachers, researchers and professional support staff. Furlough should be used where necessary to retain staff, and visas and research grants should be extended.

# 5

## Prevent institution closures



Universities and colleges bring huge economic benefits and will be vital to economic recovery. Government must ensure that no further or higher education institution goes to the wall.

# 6

## Reduce bureaucracy

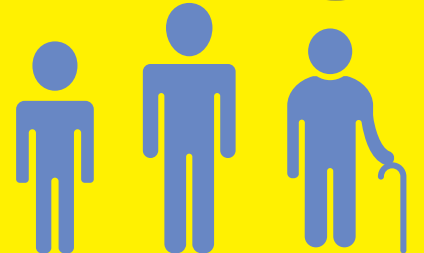


Unhelpful forms of institutional assessment should be cancelled long-term to allow time for teaching, research and public engagement.



# 7

## Expand lifelong learning



A properly resourced lifelong learning strategy will be vital to economic recovery and will also help support those who have borne the brunt of the current crisis.