

UCC New Build Newsletter



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A New Chapter for Ullswater Community College

Welcome to the first edition of the UCC New Build Newsletter – your inside look at one of the most exciting transformations in our school's history.

We're proud to share that Ullswater Community College is among the first schools chosen for Round Two of the Department for Education's School Rebuilding Programme. This investment will create a state-of-the-art campus designed to support outstanding learning, wellbeing, and community life for generations to come.

This newsletter will keep you informed as we move through each stage of the project, from early planning and design to construction, ensuring our whole community stays connected to this incredible journey.

Our Vision for the Future

Imagine a learning environment that's bright, sustainable, and inspiring – a place where every student can thrive. The new UCC will:

- Provide 270 places per year group, plus 250 Sixth Form places
- Include two strategically resourced units, one of which will be among the first in the country dedicated to supporting students experiencing Emotionally Based School Avoidance (EBSA) – placing UCC at the forefront of inclusive and innovative education
- Create a modern, accessible learning environment for up to 1,625 students
- We're not just building a new school, we're creating a community hub that celebrates learning, wellbeing, and ambition.





Where We Are Now

We're currently in the pre-feasibility stage, which will be completed by December 2025.

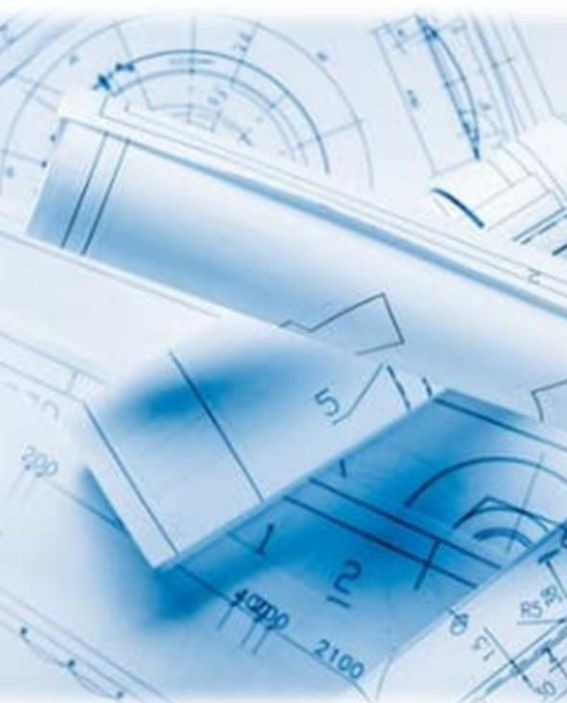
So far, we've:

- Completed initial surveys covering building condition, underground services, ecology, and infrastructure
- Conducted a full review of current facilities and refined our vision for the new campus
- Worked with DfE advisors to explore potential locations for the new school
- Agreed the number and type of learning spaces our new building will include
- This groundwork ensures that every design decision is rooted in educational vision and community need.

What Happens Next

Once pre-feasibility is complete, we'll move into the feasibility stage, where the project begins to take shape:

- The control site will be confirmed
- A series of detailed surveys will take place (over 6–8 weeks)
- We'll finalise and share the UCC Vision Document – the blueprint that will guide our design team
- We'll map out "adjacencies", showing how learning, social, and support spaces connect to encourage collaboration and accessibility
- This phase turns ambition into tangible design concepts.



Designing the Future

During the detailed design phase, our architects and DfE technical advisors will collaborate closely to bring the vision to life.

The design work will include:

- Architectural drawings and 3D visualisations of the new campus
- Thoughtful development of outdoor, green, and sports spaces
- Submission for planning approval, moving us one step closer to construction
- Every element will reflect our shared goal: a school that inspires pride, confidence, and joy in everyone who walks through its doors.

Get Involved

We're exploring opportunities to develop our outdoor and sports facilities in partnership with the wider community, and we'd love your input.

If you or your organisation have expertise, resources, or ideas to share, please get in touch:

newbuild@ullswatercc.co.uk

Together, we can create a space that supports excellence, opportunity, and belonging for everyone.

Stay Connected

We'll continue to share updates as we reach new milestones in the months ahead; thank you for your continued support and enthusiasm.

Together, we're building more than a school. We're building the future of Ullswater Community College.

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Building a brighter future for our community.