Purpose and Values

Our Purpose

The purpose of the College is to create a talented, diverse, positive and principled scholarly community, and thereby to further the University’s mission of contributing to society through the pursuit of education and research at the highest level.

Our Values

Our Strong Culture of Ambition
We aim to excel in everything that we do, embracing the University’s world-leading status.

The Pursuit of Excellence and Fulfilment of Aspiration
We will create an environment that celebrates, stimulates, and records success. We will give our students the necessary support to achieve success in examination results and in their individual careers beyond graduation.

Innovation, Evolution, and Creativity
We recognise that at this point in Homerton’s evolution we are uniquely placed to forge our own future. This moment calls for us to be innovative, creative, experimental, and flexible in how we achieve our values and goals.

Strategic and Dynamic Collaborations
We will create the strongest partnership of any College with the University of Cambridge, and we will always seek ways in which we can reinforce each other. Homerton’s trajectory over the past 20 years - to the College’s great benefit - has been an ever closer proximity to the University, and we will sustain this momentum. We will seek other creative and mutually beneficial partnerships to fulfil the College’s purpose.

Our Tradition of Challenging the Status Quo
We will honour our rich history of challenging the status quo, stemming from our dissenting roots, and our record as a socially-conscious, forward-thinking institution with strong traditions of public service and social justice. We have always been a responsible and reformative place, with an eye to the world beyond academia.

Our Inclusive and Supportive Community
We will take pride in being the most welcoming, friendly, supportive, diverse, and inclusive College community in Cambridge – unified by a distinctive identity and common purpose that transcends boundaries between students, Fellows, and staff.