

Policy Forum for Wales Keynote Seminar: Next steps for Additional Learning Needs provisions in Wales

Timing: Morning, Tuesday, 18th July 2017

Venue: Central Cardiff



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- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chair's opening remarks**
Jenny Rathbone AM, Member, Equality, Local Government and Communities Committee and Governor, Ysgol Pen y Groes
- 9.05 - 9.40 **Putting in place the ALN Transformation Programme**
Tania Nicholson, Head of ALN Legislative Programme, Welsh Government
Charlie Thomas, Head of ALN Transformation, Welsh Government
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.40 - 10.00 **Transposing SEN to ALN: the impact of the change in definition**
Dr Stephen Beyer, Senior Lecturer, Centre for Medical Education/National Centre for Mental Health, School of Medicine, Cardiff University
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.00 - 11.00 **Getting the right support: identification, assessment and dispute resolution**
Michael Charles, Senior Director and Chief Executive Officer, Education Law, Higher Education Law and Special Educational Needs, Sinclairs Law
Catherine Lewis, Development Officer (Disabled Children), Children in Wales
Mary van den Heuvel, Policy Officer, ATL Cymru
Ceri Bater, Special Educational Needs Manager, Monmouthshire County Council
Senior speaker confirmed from **Pontarddulais Comprehensive School**
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.00 - 11.05 **Chair's closing remarks**
Jenny Rathbone AM, Member, Equality, Local Government and Communities Committee and Governor, Ysgol Pen y Groes
- 11.05 - 11.35 Coffee
- 11.35 - 11.40 **Chair's opening remarks**
Vikki Howells AM, Member, Cross-Party Group on Children and Young People
- 11.40 - 12.35 **Priorities for delivering ALN provision: quality, multi-agency collaboration and consistency from 0-25**
Professor Phil Reed, Professor of Psychology, Swansea University
Debbie Thomas, Policy and Campaigns Officer for Wales, National Deaf Children's Society
Dr Rhonwen Parry, Head of Psychology and Therapies, Abertawe Bro Morgannwg University Health Board
Nichola Jones, Head of Inclusion, Pembrokeshire County Council
Parent voice
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.35 - 12.55 **What the inspectors expect: ensuring a robust system of ALN support**
Huw Davies HMI, Estyn
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Policy Forum for Wales closing remarks**
Vikki Howells AM, Member, Cross-Party Group on Children and Young People
Michael Ryan, Deputy Editor, Policy Forum for Wales