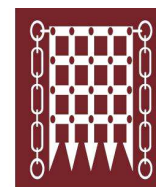


**Westminster Education Forum Keynote Seminar:  
Next steps for raising educational attainment and improving social mobility in England**

Timing: Morning, Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> January 2018

Venue: Central London



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- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Lord Griffiths of Burry Port**
- 9.05 - 9.35 **State of the Nation 2017 - assessing progress towards improving social mobility**  
**Erika Boak**, Head of Policy - Schools, Social Mobility Commission  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.35 - 10.30 **Raising educational attainment and improving social mobility - evaluating best practice**  
**Michelle Rainbow**, Skills for Business Director, North East Local Enterprise Partnership  
**Stuart Mathers**, School Engagement and Dissemination Manager, Education Endowment Foundation  
**Jack Fox**, Partner Schools Manager, University of Kent  
**Dr Chris Wilson**, Co-Chief Executive Officer, The Brilliant Club  
**Anna Ludwinek**, Research Manager - Social Policies, Eurofound  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.30 - 10.35 **Chair's closing remarks**  
**Lord Griffiths of Burry Port**
- 10.35 - 11.05 Coffee
- 11.05 - 11.10 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Baroness Stedman-Scott**
- 11.10 - 11.40 **The vision for opportunity areas - developing partnerships between business, education and third sector**  
**Sarah Lewis**, Deputy Director, Opportunity Areas, Department for Education  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.40 - 12.55 **Priorities for the implementation of opportunity area plans**  
*How can the range of programmes already on offer from charities and social enterprises be fully utilised in opportunity areas and what can be done to ensure the selection and overlap of these programmes is adequately controlled? How can the achievements of the different programmes be thoroughly evaluated, including measuring progress in areas such as improving social mobility and raising aspiration? With the involvement of the Careers and Enterprise Company, the Confederation of British Industry and the Federation of Small Businesses in the initiative, what steps can be taken to attract and develop better employment prospects for opportunity areas fusing the labour market and education system?*  
**Rosamund McNeil**, Assistant General Secretary, National Education Union (NUT Section)  
**Professor Kathryn Mitchell**, Vice-Chancellor, University of Derby  
**Paul Lewis**, Director of Government Relations and Communications, The Careers and Enterprise Company  
**Matt Davis**, Regional Director, UK, Education Development Trust  
**Adrian Ball**, Chief Operating Officer, Inspiration Trust  
Questions and comments from the floor with **Sarah Lewis**, Deputy Director, Opportunity Areas, Department for Education
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Westminster Education Forum closing remarks**  
**Baroness Stedman-Scott**  
**Sean Cudmore**, Deputy Editor, Westminster Education Forum