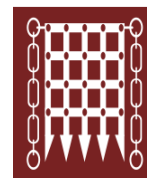


## Westminster Education Forum policy conference:

### Next steps for alternative provision in England

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 **Assessing proposals in the *Every child achieving and thriving white paper - preparing for implementation***  
**Sarah Johnson**, President, PRUsAP; and Founder, Phoenix Education Consultancy  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 **Developing workforce capacity and supporting collaboration between mainstream and alternative settings**  
Senior representative, teaching union
- 9.40 **Early intervention, placement availability, and the future role of alternative provision in the school system**  
*availability of high-quality AP places | improving inclusion and the role of AP free schools and local authority commissioning | addressing regional disparities and reliance on unregistered provision | reducing reliance on long-term placements | effective reintegration planning between AP and mainstream schools | proposed Individual Action Plans for pupils | preventing long-term separation from mainstream education | provision for pupils with SEND or social, emotional and mental health needs and those at risk of exclusion | tiered interventions across mainstream and AP settings | parental engagement in decision-making processes | early identification of need and preventative support in mainstream settings*  
Senior representative, alternative provision  
Senior representative, mainstream school  
Senior representative, local authority  
Senior commentator
- 10.00 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.25 **Chair's closing remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 10.30 Break
- 10.40 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 10.45 **Considerations for alternative provision regulation and system oversight**  
Senior representative, regulation  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.05 **Accountability, safeguarding and data sharing across alternative provision**  
*regulation and quality assurance in AP, including unregistered provision | monitoring pupil outcomes and placements | responsibilities across schools, trusts and local authorities | collection and use of data on attendance, progress, attainment and destinations | clear performance indicators | development of National Inclusion Standards by 2028 | expectations for annual review processes*  
Senior representative, alternative provision  
Senior representative, local authority  
Senior commentator  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.45 **Improving outcomes and post-16 progression, employment, and further study pathways**  
*pathways from alternative provision into FE, apprenticeships and employment | role of initiatives such as the Youth Guarantee and Jobs Guarantee | work readiness and independence | supporting access to work experience placements | developing employer partnerships | accessibility of qualifications | use of destination data to inform provision and outcomes*  
Senior representative, further education  
Senior representative, employer  
Senior representative, school  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 **Policy priorities for alternative provision moving forward**  
Senior representative, policy  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Education Forum closing remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian  
**Sean Cudmore**, Westminster Education Forum