

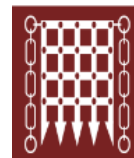
Westminster Education Forum policy conference

Next steps for qualifications at level 2 and below - choice, quality and standards, and student progression

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 **Policy priorities for qualifications at level 2 and below following the Review**
Helen Kemplay, Joint Head of the Qualification Reform Unit, Department for Education
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.25 Break
- 9.30 **Qualifications at levels 1 and 2 moving forward - funding, quality and standards, qualification choice, and the role of careers guidance in providing clarity for students**
Catherine Sezen, Senior Policy Manager - FE, Association of Colleges
Senior speaker confirmed from **OCR**
Senior representative, school
Senior representative, FE
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.15 **Regulation - priorities for the future and next steps in instilling quality and ensuring high standards**
Senior representative, policy
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.35 **Chair's closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 10.40 Break
- 10.50 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 10.55 **Future pathways for students at level 2 and below - progression to further study and employment, supporting students with additional needs and those from disadvantaged backgrounds, and flexible approaches for mature learners**
Ruth Perry, Senior Policy Manager, Natspec
Teresa Carroll, National Head of Inclusion, The Education and Training Foundation
Senior representative, charity
Senior representative, adult learners
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.40 **Aligning with the needs of the labour market - harnessing qualifications to address skills gaps, promoting upskilling and retraining throughout the workforce, and engaging employers in the qualification landscape**
Julie Hyde, Director for External and Regulatory Affairs, NCFE
Graham Hasting-Evans, Chief Executive, NOCN Group
Senior representative, FE
Senior representative, local authority
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.25 Break
- 12.30 **Designing a coherent qualifications system for the future**
Jane Hickie, Chief Executive, Association of Employment and Learning Providers
Naomi Phillips, Deputy CEO, Learning and Work Institute
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Education Forum closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
Sean Cudmore, Deputy Editor, Westminster Education Forum