

**Westminster Education Forum policy conference:  
Next steps for Level 3 qualifications reform in England**

*Timing: Morning, Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> May 2024*

**\*\*\*Taking Place Online\*\*\***

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Lord Aberdare**, Member, Education for 11-16 Year Olds Committee
- 9.05 **Qualifications at Level 3 - implementation of reform so far and policy priorities moving forward**  
**Tom Reed**, Head, Cohort Impact, Department for Education  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 **Adapting to Level 3 qualification reform**  
*lessons from the approvals and regulatory process | assessing quality and standards across qualifications | delivery of AAQs*  
**Kevin Gilmartin**, Post-16 and Colleges Specialist, Association for School and College Leaders  
Senior representative, FE provider  
Senior representative, awarding body  
Senior commentator  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.20 **Assessing the impact of the Advanced British Standard on the Level 3 qualifications**  
**Dr Elizabeth Gregory**, Lecturer in Education, University of Manchester  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.40 **Chair's closing remarks**  
**Lord Aberdare**, Member, Education for 11-16 Year Olds Committee
- 10.45 Break
- 10.55 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Lord Hampton**
- 11.00 **Preparing for the delivery of reformed technical qualifications**  
*professional development for teachers | employer and learner awareness of qualifications | bridging skills gaps | alignment with reforms at Level 2 and below*  
**George Osei-Oppong Junior**, Chief Executive Officer, HostHelp  
**Rachel Dillon**, Senior Product and Commercial Manager, NCFE  
**Tom Dower**, Principal and Chief Executive Officer, UTC South Durham
- 11.15 **Providing clarity on student options and employment pathways for students looking ahead to post-16**  
**John Yarham**, Deputy Chief Executive, The Careers and Enterprise Company
- 11.25 Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.45 **The future of T Levels**  
*addressing concerns surrounding student recruitment and retention | progression to higher education and employment | employer awareness | priorities for work placements*  
**Ruth Coyle**, Director of Admissions, Careers and Technical Education, La Retraite Roman Catholic Girls' School, London  
**Rebecca McSorley**, Lead Practice Educator, Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust  
**Johnny Rich**, Chief Executive, Engineering Professors' Council; and Chief Executive, Push  
**Jamie Roberts**, Policy Manager, Russell Group  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 **Policy priorities for T Levels moving forward**  
**Craig Myers**, Deputy Director, T Level Policy, Department for Education  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Education Forum closing remarks**  
**Lord Hampton**  
**Sean Cudmore**, Westminster Education Forum