

**Westminster Education Forum policy conference:  
Next steps for reform of Level 3 qualifications in England and priorities for T Levels**

*Timing: Morning, Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> February 2025*

**\*\*\*Taking place online\*\*\***



*Agenda subject to change*

- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Lord Lucas**, Member, Science and Technology Committee
- 9.05 **Qualifications at Level 3 - review of Post-16 qualifications reform and policy priorities moving forward**  
**Tom Reed**, Technical Education and Qualifications Reform, Department for Education  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 **Adapting to Level 3 qualification reform - progress so far and next steps**  
*assessing findings from the rapid review and the impact of the decision to pause defunding of some qualifications | lessons from the approvals and regulatory process | assessing quality and standards across qualifications | protecting student choice | priorities for providers in preparing to deliver Level 3 qualifications | ensuring accessibility and inclusivity in access to qualification options | impact of Skills England | applied general qualifications beyond 2027*  
**Dr Catherine Richards**, Principal, East Norfolk Sixth Form College  
**Laura-Jane Rawlings**, CEO, Youth Employment UK  
**Noni Csogor**, Senior Research and Policy Manager, Sixth Form Colleges Association  
**Sorah Gluck**, Senior Policy Advisor, Edge Foundation  
**Paul Steer**, Director, Policy, OCR  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.15 **Progression from Level 3 to further study and employment**  
*aligning with the needs of the labour market | developing employer partnerships | identifying the skills of the future | supporting pathways to HE and skilled employment*  
**Sarah Pashley**, Principal, Ron Dearing UTC, Hull  
**David Rowley**, Product Manager, Technical Education, NCFE  
**Dr Neil Raven**, Independent Consultant, Neil Raven Consultancy  
**Rachel Roby**, Technical Education and Standards Strategic Lead, Membership and Strategy, Cogent Skills  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.00 **Chair's closing remarks**  
**Lord Lucas**, Member, Science and Technology Committee
- 11.05 Break
- 11.15 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Jonathan Ledger**, Skills and Professional Bodies Specialist, Department for Business and Trade
- 11.20 **Supporting T Level implementation**  
**Jenifer Burden**, Director, Programmes, Gatsby Charitable Foundation  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.40 **The future of T Levels**  
*student awareness and recruitment | progression to higher education and employment | employer awareness and participation | priorities for work placements | geographical disparities in access to provision | fulfilling skills gaps | addressing barriers to participation*  
**John Yarham**, Deputy CEO, The Careers & Enterprise Company  
**Nicki Wright**, T- Level Industry Placement Coordinator, NHS Devon  
**Joanna Brown**, Careers Lead, Milton Keynes College  
**Cariona Flaherty**, Interim Head, Nursing and Midwifery, and Associate Professor, Middlesex University  
**Suzanne Hall**, Head of Product, Technical and Professional Qualifications, Pearson  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 **Policy priorities for T Levels moving forward**  
**Sophie Pinn**, Deputy Director, T Levels Delivery, Department for Education  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Education Forum closing remarks**  
**Jonathan Ledger**, Skills and Professional Bodies Specialist, Department for Business and Trade  
**Elsa Woodworth Jones**, Westminster Education Forum

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