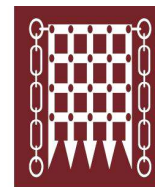


Westminster Employment Forum policy conference

Priorities for Apprenticeship funding in England

Timing: Morning, Friday, 6th November 2020

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Lord Young of Norwood Green, former Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Skills and Apprenticeships
- 9.05 **Policy priorities for the future of the Apprenticeship levy**
Jonathan Childs, Deputy Director, Apprenticeships Covid-19 Response Team, Education and Skills Funding Agency, Department for Education
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.35 Break
- 9.40 **Addressing the future funding needs of the Sector**
David Hughes, Chief Executive Officer, Association of Colleges
- 9.50 **Priorities for safeguarding funding post COVID-19 - making best use of the provider relief scheme, future areas of focus for funding and maintaining commitments from stakeholders**
Simon Ashworth, Chief Policy Officer, Association of Employment and Learning Providers
Andrew Hartley, Commercial Director, The Sheffield College
Nicola Drury, UK Apprenticeship Manager, Amazon
Councillor Sean Fielding, Leader, Oldham Council; and Lead, Education, Skills and Apprenticeships, Greater Manchester Combined Authority
Questions and comments from the floor with **David Hughes**, Chief Executive Officer, Association of Colleges
- 10.40 **Chair's closing remarks**
Lord Young of Norwood Green, former Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Skills and Apprenticeships
- 10.45 Break
- 10.55 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.00 **Priorities for supporting business participation and support of apprenticeships**
Alissa Dhaliwal, Head of Education and Skills, CBI
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.25 Break
- 11.30 **Rejuvenating apprenticeship numbers following COVID-19 - funding delivery of programmes in the 'new normal', value for money and ensuring funding in areas of greatest need**
Anna Ambrose, Director of the London Progression Collaboration, Institute for Public Policy Research
Sheila Fraser Whyte, Executive Director, Richmond upon Thames College
Patrick Craven, Director of Assessment Policy, Research and Compliance, City and Guilds
Ann Potterton, Head of Apprenticeships, BT
Senior representative, assessment board
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.25 **Priorities for the future funding band allocation**
Senior speaker confirmed from the **Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education**
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Employment Forum closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
Sean Cudmore, Deputy Editor, Westminster Employment Forum