

Westminster Media Forum policy conference
Renewing the arts and culture sector - priorities for support, innovation and the workforce, and the roadmap for recovery across the UK

Timing: Morning, Thursday, 28th January 2021

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 **Key priorities and challenges for cultural recovery and renewal in England**
Senior academic
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 Break
- 9.35 **The arts and culture sector in the wake of the pandemic and moving forward - the government response, opportunities for innovation, and the roadmap for recovery**

Phillipa Childs, Head, BECTU

Zita Holbourne, Joint National Chair, Artists' Union England

Graham Farrant, Chief Executive, BCP Council

Tamara Rojo, Artistic Director and Lead Principal, English National Ballet; Board Member, Creative England; and Board Member, Creative Industries Federation

Rufus Norris, Director, National Theatre

Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.45 **Chair's closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 10.50 Break
- 11.00 **Opening remarks**
Baroness Lola Young of Hornsey
- 11.05 **Meeting the skills challenge for the future - priorities, new ways of working, inclusiveness and supporting a competitive sector**
Senior representative, skills
- 11.15 **Cultural renewal and recovery across the UK**
Kathryn Thomson, Chief Executive, National Museums NI

Nick Capaldi, Chief Executive Arts Council of Wales

Roy Alexander Weise, Co-Artistic Director, Royal Exchange Theatre, Manchester

Senior representative, Scotland

Questions and comments from the floor with senior representative, skills
- 12.20 Break
- 12.25 **Policy priorities for supporting the UK arts and culture sector in the immediate and long term**
Senior speaker confirmed from the DCMS
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Media Forum closing remarks**
Baroness Lola Young of Hornsey
Michael Ryan, Deputy Editor, Westminster Media Forum