

Westminster Education Forum policy conference:

Next steps for SEND provision in England

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 **Assessing the impact and implementation of the SEND Improvement Plan so far**
Annamarie Hassall, Chief Executive, Nasen
Amanda Allard, Director, Council for Disabled Children; and Strategic Director, Practice and Programmes, National Children's Bureau
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.45 **Creating a joined-up system**
improving cooperation between schools, the NHS, and social care sector in the provision of EHCPs | working with local authorities to improve the SEND offer | funding requirements | the expansion of free schools
Ben Bryant, Director, Isos Partnership
Senior representative, local authority
Senior representative, school
Senior representative, alternative provision
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.30 **Chair's closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 10.35 Break
- 10.45 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 10.50 **Priorities for the SEND workforce**
recruitment and retention strategies | upskilling and training | qualification options | rollout of the new SENCo National Professional Qualifications
Senior representative, union
Senior representative, CPD
- 11.00 **Improving SEND provision from early years to secondary schools**
assessing early years identification and interventions | promoting whole-school SEND approaches | provision of SEND support in mainstream settings | alternative provision placements support for parents, guardians and carers | priorities for inspection and assessing the new inspection framework
Catherine McLeod, Chief Executive, Dingley's Promise
Senior representative, primary school
Senior representative, secondary school
Senior representative, parents and guardians group
- 11.20 Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.45 **Post-16 education and transitions to adulthood**
enabling effective transitions | further education | apprenticeship pilot | provision of high quality careers guidance | supported internships | access to qualifications | impact of level 3 qualification reforms
Amy Hallam, ALS Manager, ELA Training
Kelly Dillon, Senior Manager, Progression, Transition and Removal of Barriers, The Careers & Enterprise Company
Senior representative, FE
Senior representative, secondary school
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 **Policy priorities for improving SEND provision moving forward**
Senior representative, policy
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Education Forum closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
Sean Cudmore, Westminster Education Forum