

## Westminster Education Forum policy conference:

### Next steps for school buildings in England

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 **The current condition of school buildings in England and priorities moving forward**  
**Emma Willson**, Director, Education Value for Money Team, National Audit Office  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.35 Break
- 9.40 **'The future of the education estate - meeting the needs of the community while delivering net zero'**  
**Lara Newman**, Chief Executive, LocatED  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.10 **Building safety in schools and addressing concerns surrounding RAAC**  
**Robert Gould**, Partner, Barker Associates
- 10.20 **The School Rebuilding Programme - rollout so far, priorities for schools outside the programme, and maximising the value of the education estate**  
**Councillor Wendy Meikle**, Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Education, Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council  
**Wayne Bates**, National Negotiating Official, NASUWT  
**Richard Slade**, Executive Headteacher, Plumcroft Primary School, London  
Senior representative, construction  
Senior representative, local communities
- 10.45 Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.10 **Chair's closing remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.15 Break
- 11.25 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.30 **Modernising the education estate - priorities for both the existing estate and new schools, decarbonisation and reducing energy use, innovation in efficient and inspiring spaces for learning, and supporting accessibility and inclusion**  
**Claire Jackson**, Education Director, Galliford Try  
**Chris Felgate**, Director, Ginger Energy  
**Negar Mihanyar**, Partner and Education Sector Lead, Hawkins\Brown  
**Lucy Archer**, Climate Action Advisors Project Manager, Let's Go Zero  
Senior representative, school  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.20 Break
- 12.25 **Policy priorities for developing the education estate to meet demands now and into the future**  
Senior representative, policy  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Education Forum closing remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian  
**Sean Cudmore**, Deputy Editor, Westminster Education Forum