

Westminster Education Forum policy conference

Next steps for UK EdTech - learning from the pandemic, infrastructure and access, meeting the needs of teachers and students, and market opportunities

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 **Policy considerations for the future use of Edtech in schools**
Bridie Tooher, Deputy Director, Digital Strategy for Education, Department for Education
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.35 Break
- 9.40 **Edtech during the pandemic - what has been learned and implications for schools, teaching, learning, and the recovery of the education system**
Ty Goddard, Chair, EdTech UK
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.00 **Improving the use of EdTech - best practice, developing digital strategies, integration with the curriculum, improving accessibility, and providing students with the skills to use EdTech effectively and safely**
Kerry-Jane Packman, Executive Director of Programmes, Membership and Charitable Services, Parentkind
Sally Lanni, Executive Head Teacher, Pheasey Park Farm Primary School and Early Years Centre, Elston Hall Learning Trust, Birmingham
Al Kingsley, Group CEO, NetSupport; and Chair, Hampton Academies Trust
Senior representative, edtech
Senior representative, accessibility
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.50 **Chair's closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 10.55 Break
- 11.05 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.10 **Meeting the needs of teachers during the pandemic and lessons learnt moving forward**
Matt Hood, Principal, Oak National Academy
- 11.20 **Aligning Edtech with the needs of teachers - use in lesson planning and delivery, opportunities for reducing workload, training and professional development, and improving teacher confidence and skills**
Fiona Kempton, Director of Digital Strategy, Norwich High School for Girls, GDST
Chris McShane, CEO, Learning 3D
Richard Slade, Headteacher, Plumcroft Primary School, London
- 11.35 Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.55 Break
- 12.00 **Upgrading technology in educational settings - infrastructure priorities, improving connectivity, tackling digital poverty amongst students, and looking towards next generation technology**
Simon Carter, Marketing Director, Technology, RM
Dr Ioanna Noula, Co-Founder and Partner, Education Data | Digital Safeguards; and Co-Founder and Director of Research, The Internet Commission
Senior representative, digital poverty
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.35 **Market opportunities for UK EdTech - priorities for support, international partnerships, leveraging pandemic expertise to grow exports, and promoting UK EdTech internationally**
Caroline Wright, Director General, British Educational Suppliers Association
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