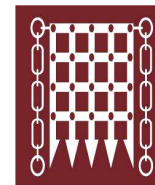


Westminster Education Forum Keynote Seminar

Improving educational attainment and social mobility: the role of schools, progression post-16 and implementing the Opportunity Areas programme

Timing: Morning, Thursday, 14th February 2019

Venue: Royal Over-Seas League, Over-Seas House, Park Place, St James's Street, London SW1A 1LR



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Agenda subject to change

- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chair's opening remarks**
Siobhain McDonagh MP, Vice Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Social Mobility
- 9.05 - 9.25 **Evaluating progress made towards improving social mobility**
Charles Samuda, Team Leader, Social Mobility, Department for Education
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.25 - 10.15 **The role of education in raising aspirations and improving attainment - tackling disadvantage in the early years, improving teaching quality, school improvement in challenging areas and partnerships**
Gillian Peck, Headteacher, Putnoe Primary School, Bedfordshire
Vanessa Housley, Senior Advisor, Inclusion and Development, Education Improvement Service, Stockton-on-Tees Council
Kim Caplin, Principal, Westminster Kingsway College
Mark Vickers, Chief Executive, Olive Academies
Jennifer Gifford, Deputy Head of Advisory Services, New Schools Network
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.15 - 10.20 **Chair's closing remarks**
Siobhain McDonagh MP, Vice Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Social Mobility
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Peter Aldous MP, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Housing and Employment and Chair, County All-Party Parliamentary Group
- 10.50 - 11.00 **'Improving the opportunities of disadvantaged young people'**
Jenny Ann, National Collaborative Outreach Programme Manager, Office for Students
- 11.00 - 11.45 **Enhancing opportunities post-16 - the impact of T-Levels, improving and ensuring the sustainability of the FE sector and routes into employment and Higher Education**
Damian Corneal, Managing Director, Accenture
David Walrond, College Principal, Truro and Penwith College
David Woolley, Director of Student and Community Engagement, Nottingham Trent University
Luqman Haydar, Financial Analyst, Sky UK
Questions and comments from the floor with **Jenny Ann**, National Collaborative Outreach Programme Manager, Office for Students
- 11.45 - 12.30 **Next steps for the Opportunity Areas programme - what's worked so far, areas for improvement and spreading best practice more widely across the country**
Professor Kathryn Mitchell, Chair, Derby Opportunity Area Partnership Board and Vice Chancellor, University of Derby
Professor Liz Barnes, Co-Chair, Stoke-on-Trent Opportunity Area Partnership Board and Vice Chancellor and Chief Executive, Staffordshire University
Melanie Richards, Deputy Chair, KPMG UK
Julia Ridge, West Somerset Opportunity Area Lead, Somerset County Council
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 - 12.55 **Policy priorities for social mobility and the Opportunity Areas programme**
Hannah Streatfeild, Deputy Director, Opportunity Areas, Department for Education
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Westminster Education Forum closing remarks**
Peter Aldous MP, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Housing and Employment and Chair, County All-Party Parliamentary Group
Sean Cudmore, Deputy Editor, Westminster Education Forum