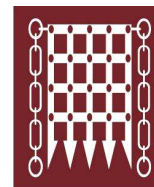


Westminster Education Forum policy conference: England's school system - improvement and attainment, partnerships, and the Free Schools programme

Timing: Morning, Wednesday, 4th December 2019

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- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chair's opening remarks**
Andrea Jenkyns MP, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group for Education
- 9.05 - 9.35 **Policy priorities and raising standards**
Dominic Herrington, National Schools Commissioner, Department for Education
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.35 - 10.00 **Next steps for the Free Schools programme**
Unity Howard, Director, New Schools Network
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.00 - 10.45 **Growing the number of good and outstanding schools - the impact of partnerships, free schools and the Selective Schools Expansion Fund**
Clare Wagner, Headteacher, West London Free School
Jonathan Lewis, Service Director, Education, Cambridgeshire County Council
Dr Mark Fenton, Incoming Chief Executive Officer, Grammar School Head Association
Melissa Benn, Vice Chair, Comprehensive Future
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.45 - 10.50 **Chair's closing remarks**
Andrea Jenkyns MP, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group for Education
- 10.50 - 11.20 Coffee
- 11.20 - 11.25 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.25 - 11.45 **One country, two systems? Setting out the practical steps to greater alignment between maintained schools and Academies'**
Professor Anne West, Professor of Education Policy and Director, Education Research Group,
The London School of Economics and Political Science
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.45 - 12.05 **Teacher led-school improvement - the role of teachers in raising attainment**
Amanda Martin, Incoming President, National Education Union
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.05 - 12.55 **Collaborative models for school improvement - the role of multi-academy trusts, cross-sector partnerships, and development of Teaching School Hubs**
Richard Gill, Chair, Teaching Schools Council and Chief Executive Officer, Arthur Terry Learning Partnership
Julie Robinson, Chief Executive Officer, Independent Schools Council
Mark Vickers, Chief Executive, Olive Academies
Dr Tim O'Neill, Director, Education and Skills, Birmingham City Council
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Westminster Education Forum closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
Sean Cudmore, Deputy Editor, Westminster Education Forum