

Westminster Education Forum Keynote Seminar: Reforming how schools spend - implementing new purchasing practices, the impact on schools and suppliers and best practice in school resource management

Timing: Morning, Tuesday, 26th March 2019

Venue: Central London



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- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chair's opening remarks**
Lord Evans of Weardale
- 9.05 - 9.35 **Implementing the School Resource Management strategy**
Tony Foot, Director, Funding and Analysis Directorate, Department for Education
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.35 - 9.45 **Supporting school leaders in financial management and the introduction of School Resource Management Advisers**
Stephen Morales, Chief Executive Officer, Institute of School Business Leadership
- 9.45 - 10.30 **Practical steps for improving school resource management - staff leadership, financial skills, recruitment costs, and learning from other sectors**
Rowena Hackwood, Chief Executive Officer, David Ross Education Trust
Louise Cooper, Chief Executive Officer, Governors for Schools
Julie Sowerby, Director, Avec Partnerships
Headteacher
Questions and comments from the floor with **Stephen Morales**, Chief Executive Officer, Institute of School Business Leadership
- 10.30 - 10.35 **Chair's closing remarks**
Lord Evans of Weardale
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- 11.00 - 11.05 **Chair's opening remarks**
Wera Hobhouse MP, Liberal Democrat Spokesperson for Housing, Communities and Local Government
- 11.05 - 11.35 **Optimising non-staff spending by schools and reforming how schools purchase goods and services - buying for schools, 'national deals' and collaboration**
Claire Benham, Commercial Director, Department for Education
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.35 - 11.45 **Implementation of local and national deals - priorities for suppliers**
Caroline Wright, Director General, British Educational Suppliers Association
- 11.45 - 12.35 **Implementing new purchasing practices in schools - the impact of Government initiatives and the implications for schools and suppliers**
Trevor Ingham, Head of Procurement, Liverpool City Council
Senior representative, school
Senior representative, supplier
Senior representative, recruitment
Senior representative, energy
Questions and comments from the floor with **Caroline Wright**, Director General, British Educational Suppliers Association
- 12.35 - 12.55 **Improving school resource management: key priorities for the profession**
Hayley Dunn, Business Leadership Specialist, ASCL
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Westminster Education Forum closing remarks**
Wera Hobhouse MP, Liberal Democrat Spokesperson for Housing, Communities and Local Government
Sean Cudmore, Deputy Editor, Westminster Education Forum