

## Westminster Education Forum policy conference

### Next steps for T Level implementation

Timing: Morning, Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> March 2021

\*\*\*Taking place online\*\*\*



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Agenda subject to change

- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Rt Hon Sir John Hayes MP**, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group for Skills and Employment and former Minister of State, Further Education, Skills and Lifelong Learning
- 9.05 **Experience of implementing the first wave of T Levels - initial impressions, lessons learnt, and steps going forward**  
**Sue Lovelock**, Director of Professional and Technical Education, Department for Education  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 **Rolling out the first wave - impact so far, industry placements and assessments, supporting providers, and provision in extraordinary circumstances whilst ensuring high quality**  
**Donna Ford-Clarke**, Product Director BTEC & Technical, Pearson  
**Morag Davis**, Assistant Principal for Technical Curriculum, Nelson and Colne College Group  
**Nick Linford**, Director, Lsect; and Editor, FE Week  
**Professor Maggie Gregson**, Professor of Vocational Education and Director, Centre for Excellence in Teacher Training (SUNCETT), University of Sunderland  
**Martyn Price**, Workforce Development Director, O'Halloran & O'Brien and T Level Ambassador and former panel member, Design, Surveying and Planning pathway  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.20 Break
- 10.25 **Recruiting and supporting T Level students - awareness and marketing, parity of esteem with A Levels, experience of the Transition Programme, and student satisfaction and experience**  
**Ben Verinder**, Director, Chalkstream Communications  
**Zac Aldridge**, Operations Director for Technical Education, NCFE  
**Professor Ann-Marie Bathmaker**, Professor of Vocational and Higher Education, University of Birmingham  
**Sam Tuckett**, Senior Researcher, Post-16 and Skills, Education Policy Institute  
**Tazivashe Makusha**, T Level Student, Derby College Group  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.15 **Chair's closing remarks**  
**Rt Hon Sir John Hayes MP**, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group for Skills and Employment and former Minister of State, Further Education, Skills and Lifelong Learning
- 11.20 Break
- 11.30 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Toby Perkins MP**, Shadow Minister, Apprenticeships and Lifelong Learning
- 11.35 **Priorities for delivery of the second wave of T Levels and incorporating best practice from the first wave**  
**Carmel Grant**, Deputy Director, Technical Education Implementation and Delivery, Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.00 Break
- 12.05 **Assessing the contribution of T Levels to the wider vocational system - progression to higher education, employer awareness, and addressing skills shortages in the post-pandemic economic recovery**  
**Catherine Sezen**, Senior Policy Manager FE, Association of Colleges  
**Bruce Boughton**, People Development Manager, Lovell  
**Dr Graeme Atherton**, Director, National Education Opportunities Network  
**Patrick Craven**, Director of Assessment Policy, Research and Compliance, City and Guilds  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Education Forum closing remarks**  
**Toby Perkins MP**, Shadow Minister, Apprenticeships and Lifelong Learning  
**Aleksina Kallunki**, Senior Researcher, Westminster Education Forum