Westminster Education Forum policy conference

Improving provision for care leavers - education, employment and wellbeing, key policy commitments, and support through the pandemic and into the future

Timing: Morning, Wednesday, 24th February 2021

Taking place online

Agenda subject to change

8.30 Registration

9.00 Chair's opening remarks

Dr Lisa Cameron MP, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group for Disability

9.05 Improving provision for care leavers - key policy priorities

Mark Riddell, National Implementation Advisor for Care Leavers, Department for Education

Questions and comments from the floor

9.30 The experience of supporting care leavers through COVID-19 and lessons learned - maintaining contact, access to technology,

the impact of emergency legislation, and future prospects

Amber Orsborn-Smith, Curriculum and Innovation Manager, Nacro

Lisa Capper, Principal and Director of Education and Skills, Nacro

Penny Earney, Designated Nurse for Looked After Children, NHS Dorset Clinical Commissioning Group

Victoria Pogge von Strandmann, Partner, Public Law, Simpson Millar

Andrew Isaac, Chair, Children's Services Development Group

Lewis Adeniregun, care leaver and student

Questions and comments from the floor

10.30 Break

10.35 <u>Implementing key measures for supporting young people leaving care</u>

What next for the Care Leaver Covenant?

Mark Rogers, Chair, Care Leavers Covenant Advisory Board; and Director General - Children, Young People, Education and Skills, The States of Jersey

Social Value Toolkit - developing a 'whole-council approach' to secure the core outcomes of the Care Leavers Covenant

Stuart Brown, Associate, Trowers & Hamlins

Questions and comments from the floor

11.05 Chair's closing remarks

Dr Lisa Cameron MP, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group for Disability

11.10 Break

11.20 Chair's opening remarks

Steve McCabe MP, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group for Looked After Children and Care Leavers

11.25 Improving outcomes for care leavers - transition to further and higher education, entering the job market post-COVID-19, and ensuring support until 25

Maria Tottle, Contact for Care Leavers and Estranged Students, Mature Students' and Peer Support Advisor, University of Bristol Cllr Jemima Laing, Cabinet Member for Children & Young People, Plymouth City Council

Claire Preston, Social Value Manager, Places & Communities, ENGIE

Patricia Ambrose, Director, National Network for the Education of Care Leavers

Dr Katie Ellis, Research Fellow, University of Sheffield

Questions and comments from the floor with senior representative, careers

12.25 Break

12.30 <u>Inspecting the standard of support for care leavers</u>

Matthew Brazier, Specialist Advisor for Looked After Children, Ofsted

Questions and comments from the floor

12.55 Chair's and Westminster Education Forum closing remarks

Steve McCabe MP, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group for Looked After Children and Care Leavers

Aleksiina Kallunki, Senior Researcher, Westminster Education Forum

