

**Westminster Education Forum policy conference**  
**Next steps for SEND provision in England - support through COVID-19 and beyond, funding, transition to EHC plans, and future options for reform**

*Timing: Morning, Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2020*

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**James Daly MP**, Officer, All-Party Parliamentary Group on SEND
- 9.05 **Reform of SEND provision in England - progress, next steps for implementation, and the impact of COVID-19**  
**Professor Brian Lamb**, Chair, Lamb Inquiry, 2009 and Visiting Professor, SEND, University of Derby
- 9.20 **Support for children with SEND during COVID-19 - lessons learned, how services are continuing to adapt, and remote teaching and the role of EdTech**  
**Dr Julie Kirkby**, Senior Lecturer in Psychology, Bournemouth University  
**Victoria Federico**, Solicitor and Head of Education Law, Shoosmiths Solicitors  
**Michael Bateman**, Programme Director for SEND & Alternative Provision, Norfolk County Council  
**Eleanor Wright**, Chief Executive, SOS! SEN  
**Fiona Veitch**, Head Teacher, Watergate School, Lewisham  
Questions and comments from the floor with **Brian Lamb**, Chair, Lamb Inquiry, 2009; Chair, Achievement for All and Visiting Professor, SEND, University of Derby
- 10.20 Break
- 10.25 **Priorities for research, funding and policy - the view from the Public Accounts Committee**  
**Meg Hillier MP**, Chair, Public Accounts Committee  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.55 **Chair's closing remarks**  
**James Daly MP**, Officer, All-Party Parliamentary Group on SEND
- 10.50 Break
- 11.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Olivia Blake MP**, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group on SEND
- 11.05 **SEND provision in England - areas for improvement**  
**Professor Adam Boddison**, Chief Executive, nasen  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.35 Break
- 11.45 **Experience of EHC plans and specialist providers during the pandemic and next steps forward**  
**Amy Skipp**, Director, ASK Research
- 11.55 **Taking a whole-system approach to SEND - funding, coping with demand, experiences of EHC plans, alternative provision, and support with transitions and post-16 SEND**  
**Debra Roscoe**, Lead SENCO, Pioneer Educational Trust  
**Linda Jordan**, Senior Development Advisor, National Development Team for Inclusion  
**Claire Cookson**, Chief Executive Officer, DFN Project SEARCH & Co-Vice Chair, Board of Governors, Stepping Stones School  
Questions and comments from the floor with **Amy Skipp**, Director, ASK Research
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Education Forum closing remarks**  
**Olivia Blake MP**, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group on SEND  
**Sean Cudmore**, Deputy Editor, Westminster Education Forum