

**Policy Forum for Wales keynote seminar:
Next steps for 14-16 qualifications reform in Wales**

Timing: Morning, Tuesday, 12th March 2024

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Member of the Senedd
- 9.05 **The new 14-16 qualifications landscape in Wales - aligning qualifications reform with the new curriculum and preparing for full rollout**
Cassy Taylor, Director of Qualifications Policy and Reform, Qualifications Wales
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 **Implementing a connected and cohesive qualifications system**
Improving choice | Qualification specifications | The role of assessment and digital assessment in the age of AI | Ensuring consistency
Ian Castledine, Head of Proposition, RM
Neil Butler, National Official for Wales, NASUWT
Darren Howells, Chief Executive, Agored Cymru
Senior representative, school
Senior representative, apprenticeships
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.25 **Considering the design and implementation of Made-for-Wales GCSEs**
Ian Morgan, Chief Executive, WJEC
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.45 **Chair's closing remarks**
Senior Member of the Senedd
- 10.50 Break
- 11.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Member of the Senedd
- 11.05 **The full 14-16 qualifications offer in Wales**
Providing ease of access to the range of qualifications | Increasing uptake of learning in Welsh | Improving equality of opportunity | Meeting the needs of students | Learning from best practice
Senior representative, local authority
Senior representative, advocacy
Senior representative, school
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.45 **Preparations for the post-16 environment**
Progression to further and higher education | Attaining essential skills for life and for work | Pathways to employment and tertiary education | Encouraging a lifelong learning culture in Wales
Angharad Lloyd- Beynon, Policy, Stakeholder and Partnerships Manager, City & Guilds
Karen Thomas, 14-19 Strategic Manager, Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council
Lisa Mytton, Strategic Director, National Training Federation for Wales
Sharon James, Principal, Cardiff and Vale College
Senior representative, HE
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.35 **'Key policy priorities for 14-16 learning and qualifications'**
Alex Ingram, Head of Qualifications and Assessment, Welsh Government
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Policy Forum for Wales closing remarks**
Senior Member of the Senedd
Sean Cudmore, Deputy Editor, Policy Forum for Wales