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# National Conference

## Young people with special educational needs and disabilities

### Joining up pre and post 16 education; learner centred commissioning

Thursday 9th June 2011, Westminster Studio, London SW1

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Speakers include:

**Lorraine Petersen OBE**  
Chief Executive Officer,  
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**Alison O'Brien**  
Project Director,  
**Natspec**

**Richard Linley**  
Senior Policy Adviser,  
**Action on Access**

**Donald Rae**  
16-19 Advisor,  
**Local Government Group (LGG)**



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The SEN and disability Green Paper, published 9 March 2011, addresses the complexity of the current system for funding and assessing learners with learning difficulties and disabilities. The transition from pre to post 16 education demands joined-up working from various agencies including specialist and mainstream schools and FE colleges, and Local Authorities. There is a clear need for a person-centred approach to learner support, with continuity as a key principle for commissioning. There is no better time than now to address this, with the consultation ending in June.

This national conference provides an opportunity for school and college leaders and heads of SEN and LLDD to come together with local authorities, third party providers and voluntary sector representatives to respond to the Green Paper. Expert speakers will share the latest information on the steps already being taken in a new commissioning landscape, and how to ensure the right type and level of support can be given to every vulnerable learner and how pre and post 16 education can be joined up.

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# Agenda (subject to change)

09:00 Registration, refreshments and exhibition

## Session One: Setting the scene

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- 10:00 **Welcome and introduction by conference chair**  
**Mike Baker**, Education Journalist and Broadcaster
- 10:10 **Quality of support to promote learners' independence**  
**Alison O'Brien**, Project Director, Natspec
- 10:30 **Support and CPD for SEND teachers, staff, carers and advisers**  
**Lorraine Petersen OBE**, Chief Executive Officer, NASEN
- 10:50 **Specialist information, advice and guidance**  
**Richard Linley**, Senior Policy Advisor Equality, Action on Access
- 11:10 **Questions, comments and discussion**
- 11:30 **Refreshments, networking and exhibition**

## Session Two: Outcomes for post-16 learners

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- 12:00 **Extending opportunities through partnerships**  
**Patricia Wormald**, Principal Adviser, KPMG LLP  
**Nick Ratcliffe**, Principal Adviser, KPMG LLP
- 12:20 **Panel Discussion: Green Paper, Wolf Report – in practice**  
**The best way forward for young people (post 16) with special education & training needs, disabilities and behavioural problems**  
**Alison O'Brien**, Project Director, Natspec  
**Bernie Emery**, Partnership Development Director, Nisai  
**Rob Bates**, Head of School Foundation Studies, City College Norwich
- Questions, comments and discussion**
- 13:00 **Buffet lunch, networking and exhibition**

## Session Three:

- 14:00 **The role of local authorities and what the future holds**  
**Donald Rae**, 16-19 Adviser, Local Government Group

### Breakout Seminars A

- 14:20 Delegates should choose to attend one seminar from the list below. Seminars are designed to be interactive and participatory in nature. Places are allocated on a first-come, first-served basis and are subject to maximum capacities.

**a1** **Holistic Learning and Social Enterprise – the Clervaux Trust case study**  
**Cate Crallan**, Head of SEN Inclusion, Darlington Borough Council; Clervaux Trust

**a2** **Support for young people with SEND**  
**Julie Mayo**, Head of Foundation Learning, Walsall College  
**Paul Bagnall**, Curriculum Manager, Walsall College

**a3** **Individual budgets pilots**  
**Graham Thom**, Associate Director, SQW  
**Meera Prabhakar**, Senior Consultant, SQW

**Questions, comments and discussion**

- 15:10 **Refreshments, networking and exhibition**

## Session Four: Breakout Seminars B

- 15:40 Delegates should choose to attend one seminar from the list below. Seminars are designed to be interactive and participatory in nature. Places are allocated on a first-come, first-served basis and are subject to maximum capacities.

**b1** **Young people with learning difficulties and behavioural problems; employability and work skills**  
**Jayne Garner**, Managing Director, Axis Education Limited  
**Cerie Palmer**, Head of Sixth Form, Slated Row School

**b2** **Person-Centred Future Plans: a multi-agency approach to supporting families and young people with SEND**  
**Stephen King**, St Nicholas School, Kent

**b3** **Beyond the PC – an exploration of other forms of ICT to support the teaching and learning of Special Needs students.**  
**David Fairbairn-Day**, Head of Education Market Development, Promethean

- 16:30 **Close of conference**

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## Purpose of the Conference:

### Specifically this conference will enable you to:

- Map the routes taken by learners with learning difficulty and disabilities, and those outside mainstream education, focussing on assessment and support at the transition from post-compulsory education
- Discuss the challenges the sector faces with the loss of under-funded charities like SKILL
- Discover the opportunities for specialist provision afforded by working with independent organisations
- Discuss provision and support for a wide range of learners, including those with long-term illnesses, autism, severe and profound disabilities, and behavioural problems
- Highlight how to enhance effective partnership working by leading schools and colleges with local authorities
- Take an in-depth look at best-practice examples of learner-centred provision
- Provide an opportunity to network with others working to provide joined-up services for vulnerable learners
- Make the most of the consultation period ending at the end of June to feedback to authoritative organisations in the Special Education Needs sector

## Who should attend:

### From Schools, FE Colleges, Sixth Form Colleges, Independent Specialist and Residential Colleges:

- Principals and Vice-Principals
- Heads of School
- Governors
- 14-19 Directors
- Directors of:
  - > Curriculum
  - > Planning and Performance
  - > Communications
- Schools and Colleges Liaison Managers
- Directors
- Heads of Department
- Teachers
- Support specialists
- Partnerships Managers

### From Local Authorities:

- Chief Executives
- Councillors
- Lead commissioners
- Directors of:
  - > 14-19 Strategy
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  - > Funding Directors
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  - > Social Care
  - > Health and Care

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- > Communications
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- > Central Government Offices
- > Pupil Referral Units
- Heads of Finance and Funding
- Managers and Board Members

### From other organisations:

- Adult and Community Learning Providers
- Work Based Learning Providers
- Awarding Bodies
- Senior Business and Employer representatives concerned with Further Education and Work Experience
- Senior Representatives of Central Government Departments (Department for Education)
- Training Providers
- Inspectorates
- (Special) Education Consultants
- Professional and Trade Organisations
- Members from NATSPEC

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