



Lifelong Education Commission

Planned activities for 2021

Monthly Online Events:

- Secretary of State Gavin Williamson discussing the Government's White Paper (*May 2021*)
- Lifelong Education and Place (*June 2021*)
- The Role of Technology and the Concept of Remote Learning in Lifelong Education (*July 2021*)
- Vocational and Technical Learning within the Lifelong Education framework (*September 2021*)
- Financing a Reformed post 18 Educational System (*October 2021*)
- Barriers to Learning - Class (*November 2021*)
- Barriers to Learning - Gender (*December 2021*)

Evidence Sessions:

As Commission members decide on the subject and content of each report, we will be issuing a Call for Evidence and holding online Evidence Sessions. Our first report on *Reforming the UK's Tertiary Skills System* is already commissioned and we will be issuing a call for evidence shortly. We will be holding an online evidence session in May of this year.

Report Launch (July 2021):

Our first report will be published at the end of July and will cover:

- How Lifelong learning can contribute to the UK's productivity gap
- The need for 'hybridity' and the relative importance of reskilling & upskilling
- How education and skills can respond to what people want to study as well as what the economy needs
- Finding a balance between STEM subjects with the Arts and Humanities
- How we correct the current Equivalent or Lower Qualification (ELQ) policy
- How we address 'modes of learning' with a through life module-based accreditation system
- Place and the wider civic role performed by learning institutions
- How a new skills system can improve mobility and access
- How to optimise technology in education
- How to fund lifelong education.

The report's launch event will take place online.

Further detail on all our events and activities will be sent to you as we move forward with our planning and organisation.