



# Quality in Careers >>>>

## QUALITY IN CAREERS CONSORTIUM BOARD

Public Notes of the Electronic Board “meeting” by e-mail on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2020

### Board Members Voting On-Line by e-mail:

Dr. Barrie Hopson (Chairman), Paul Chubb (Quality in Careers Director) (*PAC in the notes below*), Janet Colledge (CDI), Jan Ellis (CDI), Ryan Gibson (Independent CEG invitee), Kevin Gilmartin (ASCL), Eleanor Perkins (HMC), Catherine Sezen (AoC), Kieran Gordon (CE) Cathy Thompson (Independent CEG invitee) and Rob Williams (NAHT).

### 17/2020: Introduction by the Chairman by e-mail

- (i) The Chairman authorised the Quality in Careers Director to present a draft set of “Board Guidelines on Virtual Assessments” (see 11/2020 in the Notes of 23.6.2020 Virtual Board meeting).
- (ii) He also authorised the Quality in Careers Director to seek the views of the Board by e-mail on signing the Open Letter to the Secretary of State for Education

### 18/2020: Board Guidelines on Virtual Assessments of Schools and Colleges

- (i) PAC advised the Board of the process of consultation with all Awarding Bodies undertaken since 23<sup>rd</sup> June by the Professional Team and himself through Zoom meetings and telephone discussions. These consultations had resulted in an agreed set of Guidelines which all Awarding Bodies supported.
- (ii) PAC sought Board approval to publish these. On 3<sup>rd</sup> July the Board unanimously approved their publication. PAC, therefore, on 3<sup>rd</sup> July, issued the Guidelines as a PDF to all Awarding Bodies and posted them on the Quality in Careers website. He also edited the relevant website pages to include the Guidelines alongside “The Assessment Guide”.

### 19/2020: Open Letter to the Secretary of State

- (i) PAC advised the Board that the CDI had written to the Consortium seeking its support for the Open Letter calling on the Government, in the light of the impact of COVID-19, **“to publicly commit to a Career Guidance Guarantee so that everyone aged 16-19 in an education setting, those leaving the education system, those who are already NEET, and adults who are unemployed, will have access to quality personal career guidance to help them move them on to further education destinations, employment or to additional training and apprenticeships”**.
- (ii) All members of the Board replied by e-mail authorising PAC to sign ‘on behalf of the Consortium’. A copy of the letter can be accessed here [https://www.thecdi.net/write/Open Letter Career Guidance Guarantee-signed-all-signatures-final.pdf](https://www.thecdi.net/write/Open%20Letter%20Career%20Guidance%20Guarantee-signed-all-signatures-final.pdf)

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