

Farming and Countryside Education

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Dear James

Letter of support for the Pearson BTEC Level 2 in Agriculture

As an employer in the sector, we recognise the following qualifications as being fit for purpose:

500/9547/X - Pearson BTEC Level 2 Diploma in Agriculture (QCF)

The qualifications when achieved at level 2 will support learners to progress to employment or within employment in a wide range of job roles. The industry is currently very short of people with the broad range of applied knowledge that this course will provide, and as such, vacancies often go unfilled.

For such roles, we believe that these qualifications provide an appropriate level of knowledge and skills, meeting the needs of the business and the individual, ensuring employees are appropriately skilled for the job and able to deliver to the standard that the sector expects.

It is also our view that the qualification will help prepare learners for further study or training, leading to higher qualifications and/or increased specialism.

We are happy for Pearson to use this letter in support of its work with government and its agencies, to ensure that this invaluable qualification can continue to be recognised for college performance tables and 19+ funding.

Yours sincerely

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Supported by  and other industry stakeholders.



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