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Dear James

Letter of support for the Pearson BTEC Level 1/Level 2 in Animal Care

As the leading professional body in the sector, we recognise the following qualifications as being fit for purpose:

500/8331/4 - Pearson BTEC Level 2 Extended Certificate in Animal Care (QCF)

500/8365/X - Pearson BTEC Level 2 Diploma in Animal Care (QCF)

The qualifications when achieved at level 2 will support learners to progress to employment or within employment in a range of job roles across the industry, for example in entry level careers within the animal care / animal husbandry sector.

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.

The qualification will also support the individual, should they chose to progress in to further training.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Binstead', written over a horizontal line.

Mr M. Binstead
Head Keeper
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