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Dear James

Letter of support for the Pearson BTEC Level 2 in Blacksmithing and Metalworking

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

600/0214/1 - Pearson BTEC Level 2 Diploma in Blacksmithing and Metalworking (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 across the industry, for example in traditional and artist blacksmithing, decorative fabrications and general forge-work.

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

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