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Dear Amanda

**Letter of support for the Pearson BTEC Level 3 Nationals in Music Technology**

The Music Education Council (MEC) is the umbrella organisation for the music education sector, bringing together in a working relationship those organisations and institutions in the United Kingdom involved in music education and music education training. As the MEC Chair I have reviewed the music units for the qualifications listed below and agree that someone who achieves these qualifications will have the knowledge, understanding and skills they need to progress into higher education and employment in the music sector.

BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Music  
BTEC Level 3 National Foundation Diploma in Music  
BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Music  
BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Music  
BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Music Technology  
BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Music Technology

The introduction of a larger mandatory core will provide students with a solid foundation and the range of options in the suite of qualifications will allow students to explore more specialised areas. The inclusion of external assessment in these qualifications is also to be welcomed.

I am happy for this letter of support to be made public on your website.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard J. Hallam".

Richard J Hallam MBE  
Chair  
Music Education Council  
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