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Dear Toby

**Letter of support for the Pearson *BTEC level 3 National Extended Certificate in Sound Engineering***

The Music Education Council is the umbrella organisation for music education across the UK. With over 80 music education related organisations as members, through workshops, seminars and bespoke meetings, the Council brings together tens of thousands of music educators.

It is in this capacity as a professional body in the sector, that we recognise the following qualification as being fit for purpose:

**Pearson *BTEC level 3 National Extended Certificate in Sound Engineering***

We confirm that this qualification will provide learners with the specialist knowledge, and give them the opportunities to develop the skills and behaviours that employers in the industry are looking for.

The qualification ensures that the learner can demonstrate relevant skills, behaviours and knowledge to progress to employment in the role of Assistant Sound Engineer/Music Studio Assistant/Live Music Assistant.

The qualification will also support the individual, should they chose to progress into further training, via a level 3 qualification or an apprenticeship, and is a good preparation for either progression route.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard J. Hallam', with a horizontal line underneath.

*Richard J Hallam MBE  
Chair Music Education Council 2013 to 2019*