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Dear Michael

Government Reform of 16-19 Vocational Qualifications

I have been involved with 16-19yr olds' education programmes for many years and lately (3 yrs) with LFE programme for apprentice footballers. The courses offered for footballers are both relevant (to the players needs) and well supported by resources from LFE. Every year we send at least one player to university in the UK or to the U.S. and education establishments have acknowledged the level of understanding of players and their performance during the duration of their course.

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

- 500/6753/9 - Pearson BTEC Level 3 Certificate in Sport (QCF)
- 500/6751/5 - Pearson BTEC Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma in Sport (QCF)
- 500/3931/0 - Pearson BTEC Level 3 90-credit Diploma in Sport (QCF)
- 500/6755/2 - Pearson BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Sport (QCF)
- 500/6764/3 - Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Sport (QCF)

We recognise these qualifications as developing and confirming specialist knowledge and skills in the sector, to a standard that can be reasonably expected of an 18 year old in full time education. The qualifications will give students an advantage when applying for related jobs, apprenticeships or training.

I am happy for my AFC Bournemouth's name and website to be made available on the DfE and Pearson websites to confirm our support for the qualifications.

Yours sincerely

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