Please tell us about your role and what you hope to achieve.

I work with schools and colleges across Barnet to support them with vocational and technical curriculum development, including T Level implementation. We hope to support our providers in setting up to deliver T levels and as such provide Barnet students with an extensive range of T Level subjects.

What do you like about T Levels?

T Levels are an exciting qualification because they have been designed with businesses, thus the knowledge and skills gained are relevant and up to date. The Industry Placement component of the T Level provides students with a tremendous insight into a role/career within a specific sector.

How beneficial do you think T Levels will be to students?

T Levels have been repeatedly heralded as the ‘gold standard’ of vocational qualifications and I think they provide an excellent opportunity for students to learn relevant skills and knowledge, whilst having the opportunity to apply this in the context of a real working environment.

Do you think employers will value T Levels?

The employers I am engaging with believe that T Levels serve to help young people develop the attitudes, skills and knowledge that they need for their business, and they hope that the Industry Placement will inspire young people to work for them, thus securing a talent flow.
Do you have any advice for a centre setting up T levels?

The range of T Levels available will continue to grow within Barnet with both 2023 providers increasing their offer as well as other providers starting to deliver the qualification. We are confident that Barnet’s young people will have access to a huge range of subjects. I would recommend schools and colleges access all the CPD opportunities available via the ETF, AOC as well as the T Level delivery partners. It is also important to reach out to early adopters of the qualification, you can learn so much from their experiences. I have found the T Level world to be really supportive and welcoming with a real willingness to share good practice.