



Catherine McKinnell MP
Minister for School Standards

Sanctuary Buildings 20 Great Smith Street Westminster London SW1P 3BT
tel: 0370 000 2288 www.education.gov.uk/contactus/dfe

Helen Hayes MP

Chair, Education Select Committee

By email: helen.hayes.mp@parliament.uk

10th December 2024

Dear Helen,

Independent review of Oak National Academy

I am writing to inform the Education Select Committee that we have announced an independent review of Oak National Academy, led by Lara Newman.

Oak National Academy works with teachers across the country, giving them and their pupils access to digital curriculum resources which are free, optional, and adaptable. Now that Oak has been operating as an independent public body for two years, the review will consider whether it is operating effectively and efficiently and whether its governance and accountability arrangements are appropriate. Further information about what the review will consider is available in the Terms of Reference, which have been published on gov.uk: [Oak National Academy independent review: terms of reference - GOV.UK](#)

The review would welcome the views of the committee, and I would be very happy to have an initial conversation with you should you wish to discuss the review further.

With best wishes,

Catherine McKinnell

Minister of State for School Standards