
Director General for Regulation

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(By email)

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Dear Professor Ashby and Professor Nason,

TEF holding reply to Professor Deborah Ashby and Professor Guy Nason – RSS

Thank you for your letter of 5 March 2019. I appreciate you taking the time to share your concerns about the Teaching Excellence and Student Outcomes Framework (TEF).

I have asked my team to look into the matters that you have raised. I know that Mark Pont from my team has already been in touch with Professor Nason to hear more about the issues. We will also speak with Dame Shirley Pearce, as well as with the ONS methodologists who have been commissioned by the Department for Education to examine the methodology for the Independent Review.

I will write again with my conclusions but in the meanwhile, please do feel free to contact us if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely



Ed Humpherson
Director General for Regulation