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Dear Mr Walker

This letter is to confirm the support of Balfour Beatty, one of the UK's largest employers in the Built Environment (employing 30,000 people), for TQUK's suite of qualifications in "Design Engineer Construct! The Digital Built Environment" as follows:

TQUK Level 1 Certificate in Design Engineer Construct! The Digital Built Environment

TQUK Level 2 Certificate in Design Engineer Construct! The Digital Built Environment

TQUK Level 3 Certificate in Design Engineer Construct! The Digital Built Environment

TQUK Level 3 Diploma in Design Engineer Construct! The Digital Built Environment

We welcome the opportunity to recommend that these qualifications are acknowledged by Government as valid, rigorous, and worthy of recognition for performance table points, giving them academic equivalency and thereby encouraging their uptake in schools.

Furthermore, we have actively supported schools offering the Design Engineer Construct! learning programme and qualifications for a number of years, and recognise their worth in the education of the next generation of young professionals. In particular DEC is a pathway to following careers and job roles in Civil, Building Architectural Engineering. This includes enabling successful students to access apprenticeships in Civil and Building Engineering.

Balfour Beatty and Class of Your Own have been in discussions for a number of years exploring ways in which to engage with young people on a programme that would create a platform for creative learning whilst also providing avenues to explore the world of engineering and potentially start them on a career within the industry. Only recently has the opportunity arisen in Perth and Dundee for the partnership to come together and deliver for two local secondary schools. Balfour Beatty is committed to engaging with school aged children both as

neighbours but also to enthuse about careers within engineering and construction. The work of Class of Your Own and the DEC programme is the perfect opportunity for us to bring to life often static STEM based learning. Our partnership in both local authority areas is still at a relative infantile stage but from initial experiences, and attending pupil and parents evenings, we are confident that this programme will provide a fantastic platform for learning for the young people but also give our own employees the opportunities to be inspired by the next generation of construction professionals.

Yours Sincerely



Ken Brown

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