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| **TITLE** | **Advice to inform the approach to qualifications in 2021** |
| **DATE** | **29 October 2020** |
| **BY** | **Kirsty Williams, Education Minister** |

Today I welcome both the publication of the interim findings of the independent review I commissioned and the further advice I requested from Qualifications Wales regarding options now available for qualifications in 2021.

I would like to thank both Qualifications Wales and the review panel chaired by Louise Casella, Director of the Open University in Wales, for their thorough work in preparing these documents for consideration.

As I have previously confirmed, I will be announcing the approach that will be taken to qualifications in 2021 on Tuesday 10 November once learners in exam years are back in school or college.

Advice from Qualifications Wales:

<https://qualificationswales.org/media/6751/letter-of-advice-to-the-minster-for-education-on-assessment-arrangements-for-2021.pd>f

Interim Findings of the Independent Review:

<https://gov.wales/independent-review-summer-2020-arrangements-award-grades-and-considerations-summer-2021>