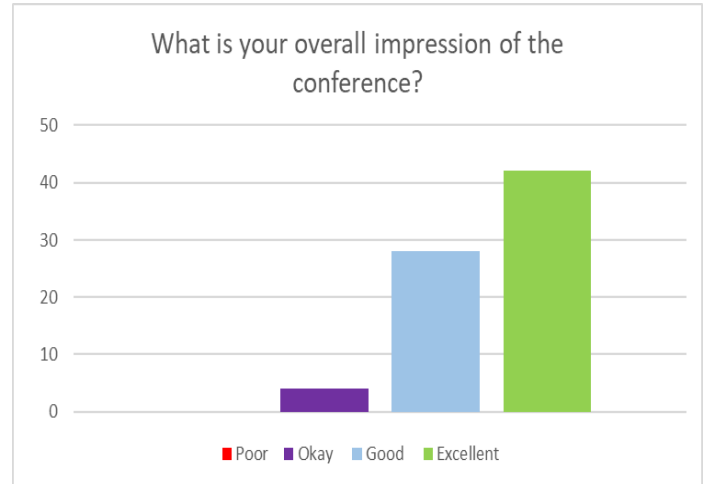
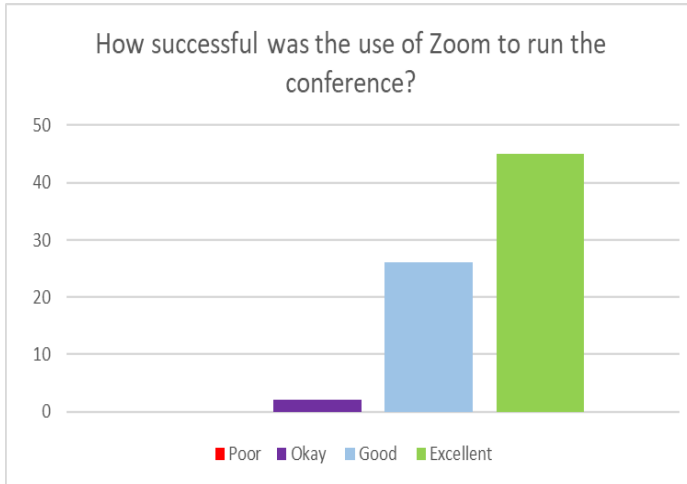


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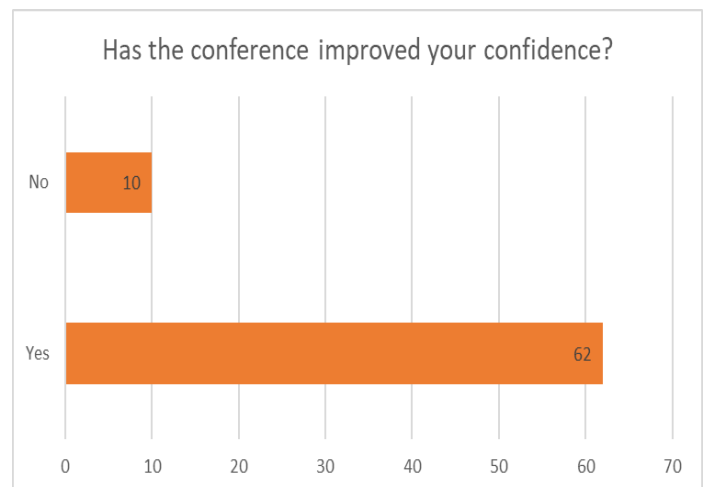
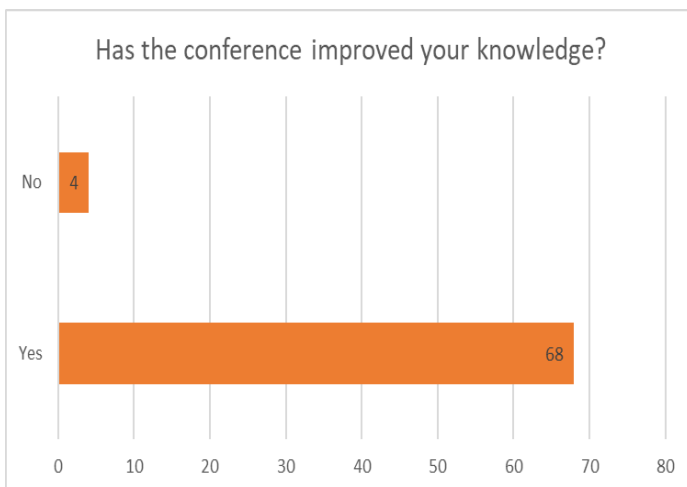
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169 delegates attended the conference
75 evaluation forms were received and analysed

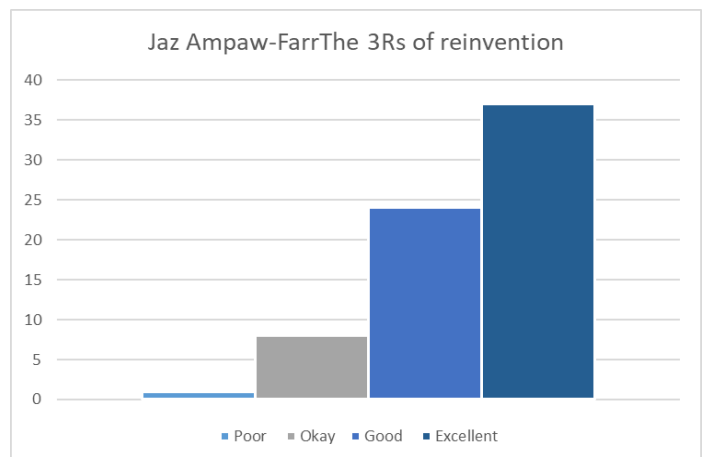
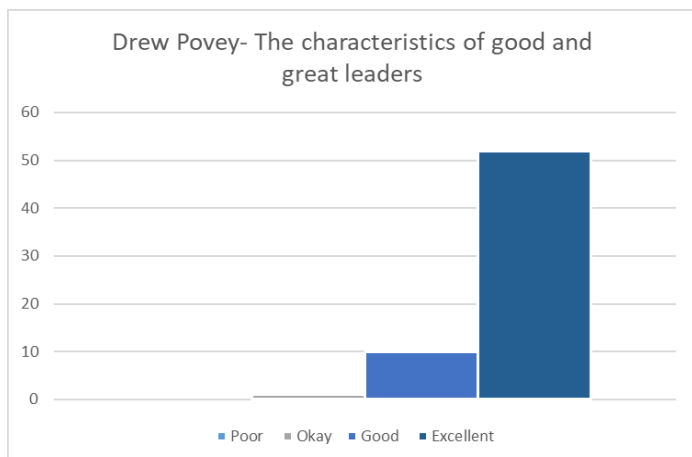
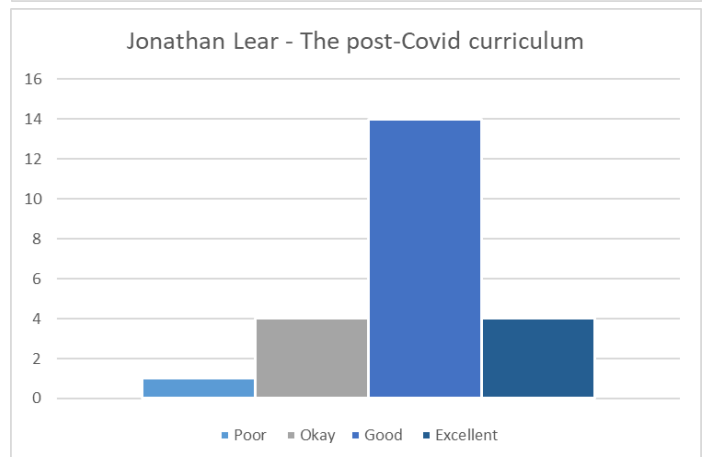
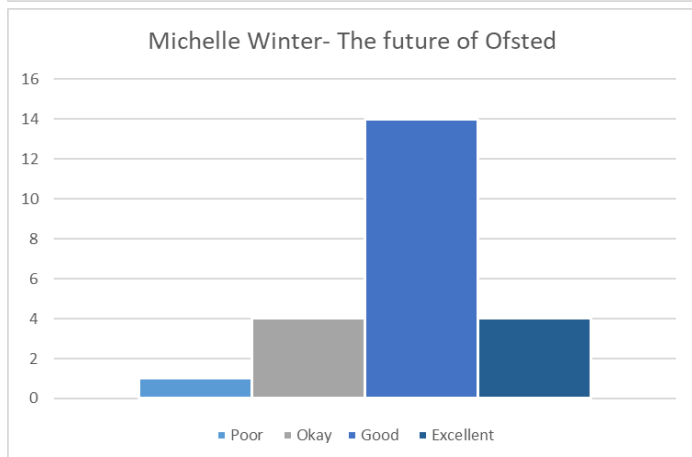
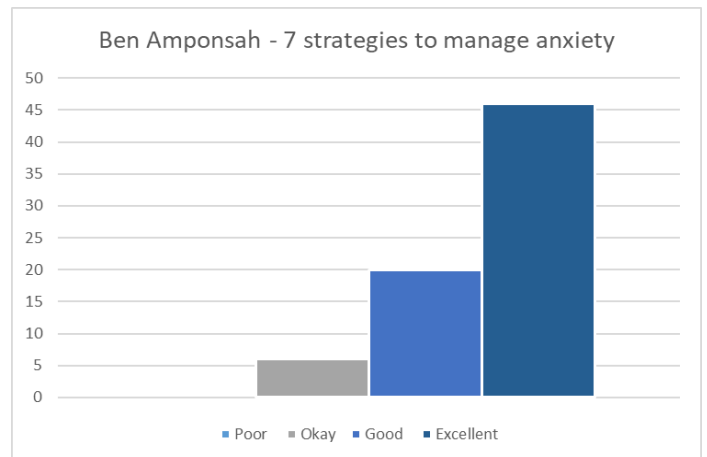
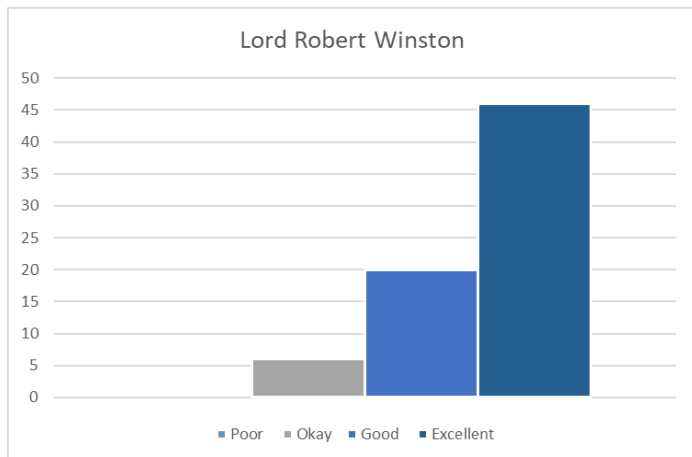


	Poor	Okay	Good	Excellent
How successful was the use of Zoom to run the conference?	0	4	28	42
What is your overall impression of the conference?	0	2	26	45



	Yes	No
Has the conference improved your knowledge?	68	4
Has the conference improved your confidence?	62	10

Evaluating the Speakers



Please evaluate the sessions you attended.	Poor	Okay	Good	Excellent
The crucial need for learning in a post-Covid world Lord Robert Winston	0	6	20	46
7 Strategies to manage anxiety Ben Amposah	0	1	11	7
The future of Ofsted Michelle Winter	1	4	14	4
The Post-Covid curriculum Jonathan Lear	4	5	9	10
The characteristics of good and great leaders Drew Povey	0	1	1-	52
The 3Rs of reinvention Jaz Ampaw-Farr	1	8	24	37

Delegate comments

- ☺ I thought it was the best conference I have attended (think it's my 4th) due to the quality of the speakers. In many ways I preferred the experience – I was able to log on from home and feel it has done wonders for my wellbeing! Very efficiently organised. Thank-you very much.
- ☺ Thank you for organising such a valuable event in the current, challenging climate. It was really lovely to take some time to re-focus on my role and to hear from a range of excellent and relevant speakers.
- ☺ Was a great conference – incredibly well organised. Great speakers. Feel motivated and inspired. Thank you.
- ☺ Even though times are different and the way we meet is different, the speakers at the conference have as normal, enthused and inspired me for another year. I am already looking forward to next year!
- ☺ Many thanks for organising this, I am sure it took a lot of work but it was very successful.
- ☺ An excellent CPD opportunity. I really enjoyed the sessions – thank you very much.
- ☺ Thank you for all the hard work and effort that went into making this a successful day. Each speaker we heard, had such poignant points to share and this day really enabled me to have the space to reflect and take on new ideas. Thank you :-)
- ☺ Thank you so much for organising such a great (albeit slightly different) conference. The speakers were all inspiring and motivating, and gave lots of food for thought. To be honest what more could you want than starting a rainy Friday listening to Lord Winston!
- ☺ It was a fantastic day, thank you for organising it all and making us feel valued and appreciated.
- ☺ Despite small technical difficulties such as occasionally finding it hard to hear what was being said, and it taking time to get everyone into groups (poor Pam – thank you for your perseverance with this), it was great that the conference was still able to go ahead. It must have taken a long time to get everything organised and up and running. He speakers were inspirational as always and it was nice to listen to a variety of people who really seemed to 'get' what it is like to be working in Education.
- ☺ Actually really enjoyed it being via Zoom – nice to see the speakers' faces up close. Found it actually kept my attention more than when I've been sat in the room in previous years! Also great to not have to travel to get there. Being able to log on from the comfort of my home was a nice bonus! Would definitely be happy if this format were to be used again next year.
- ☺ Thank you so much for the conference – it was hugely inspiring and really motivating to hear all of these people. Lord Robert Winston was amazing and so great to hear of our profession being appreciated! Drew Povey was great – I loved thinking about the different characteristics and made me think about which areas I need to improve on.
- ☺ To end on Jaz was a high (her energy is amazing!)...I went and signed up for the Gianttv link straight away to analyse myself ...good to know I came out where I had first thought! I am now taking it to my SLT to do and we shall compare and think about how our strengths and areas of development in our leadership personalities can work even better together!
- ☺ I have really enjoyed the day and feel motivated and positive from what I have heard. It's just a shame that there was no further info from Ofsted about their future plans!

- ☺ Drew Povey was my absolute favourite – he was so funny but talked sense. Thank you so much for the advice. Also to Jaz – an awesome energised end of the day. Looking forward to going to the quiz online!
- ☺ Thank you so much for all the hard work that has gone into organising a virtual conference - it was a definite success.
- ☺ Congratulations on a very successful conference using Zoom. Although I was late into my workshop I completely understand this was due to first-time teething troubles and the speaker kindly went through the slides we missed.
- ☺ Zoom worked perfectly for me – so thank you and a plus side was that I got to drop off and collect my child from school for the first time! Speakers were brilliant (great choices) and as always makes us stop and think in an ever busy role.
- ☺ Thank you for all the hard work that has gone into organising this.
- ☺ Drew Povey was excellent. Really great talk on leadership.
- ☺ I really enjoyed Jonathan’s workshop, but I am not sure it was actually what I was expecting. It was really useful to hear how his school had constructed their curriculum, but I would have been more interested to hear about the changes/adaptions they had made in light of Covid. The post-Covid curriculum as a title, led me to believe it would be advice and suggestions of how we might adapt our curriculums in the current situation. That said, it was excellent and informative, and I definitely took away some ideas of how our school’s curriculum could be tweaked as he suggested.
- ☺ Thought the zoom element actually added to the collaborative nature of the conference! Could this be a way forward for the future, particularly as it reduces travel time and might be accessible for those who are unable to attend in person? The fact recordings will also be available of the other workshops also ensures we can benefit from the whole day and what was on offer, without feeling that we may have missed some key messages in the other workshops-choosing is always tricky.
- ☺ Finally, I would like to finish by saying thank you to you and all involved in organising such a great day. It worked so well via zoom, meant I could relax and enjoy it even more than normal from the comfort of my own home as well as leaving me feeling so inspired and motivated to return to school.
- ☺ I’m sure it’s because I’m extremely anti-social, but I loved the conference over Zoom much more than in person! Easier to have a shuffle, grab a drink, nip to the loo, take notes on a computer because you have a desk in front of you, chat on the group chat and share links without disturbing the speaker etc I loved the competition element in Drew’s which got people using the chat, but also hearing Lord Winston was impressive too!! Thank you so much for organising it :-)
- ☺ This was my first conference so could not compare to the norm. However I found this an enjoyable day that allowed me to take some time away from school and concentrate on other things. The sessions were all excellent. I only marked the OFSTED one slightly lower as due to ICT complications I didn’t get to see very much of it. However what I did see was very useful and reassuring and we were assured that the recording or slides would be made available. I’ve said that my knowledge was not improved but I don’t feel that was the purpose of the sessions today. It has sent me into the weekend with a much calmer attitude so thank you.
- ☺ Thank you for such an excellent day! I was very impressed with only a small thing of being late in for a workshop but they recapped the slides missed! I thought Jaz at the end was EXCELLENT and all speakers were great to listen to! I have so much to take back to my school ☺

Thank you Pam and team for a brilliant day which I know took a lot of hard work! You should be very proud 😊

- 😊 A very enjoyable day. I was lucky as myself and our assistant head were able to attend together which meant we could discuss what we were listening to. We both really enjoyed the afternoon and left the conference feeling positive and happy despite the rain outside! Thank you for organising.
- 😊 I just wanted to drop you a line to say thank you so much for a fantastic virtual conference on Friday.
- 😊 It's great to be able to reflect and know that we are all experiencing very similar challenges and to be given strategies to deal with 'situations' we find ourselves in. I was able to offer a colleague, from another school, many wise words on Sunday morning who was ready to leave SLT due to poor leadership.
- 😊 I was uncertain about whether the DH conference would be as enjoyable and inspirational as usual, given that it had to be over zoom but I enjoyed it thoroughly and felt just as inspired and valued as I have in previous conferences. It would have been easy to just cancel or postpone it but thank you for going ahead with it. The process of moving participants into their workshops worked very well. I could get used to taking part in the comfort of my home and was delighted that I did not have to travel in the horrible weather! Well done Pam and thank you!
- 😊 Thank you very much for putting this on. In the current climate it would have been very easy to call the whole thing off. Your hard work is very much appreciated at a time when all those in school leadership are really feeling the strain. I think it will be important to revisit some of the messages delivered throughout this year. I was also really pleased to see a diverse panel.
- 😊 As a new Deputy Head this was my first conference. If they are all going to be like this one I cannot wait to attend more. The sessions were very well thought out, topical full of lots of ideas. The presenters of the sessions I attended were outstanding. I feel inspired, supported, understood and left with a renewed energy to do the same for the staff in my school. Thank you to all involved !
- 😊 As always, I come away from the Deputy Conference feeling reenergised and reassured that we all experiencing very similar challenges. The high quality speakers always give practical, realistic strategies and ideas how to improve my leadership skills.
- 😊 Not quite the same though, not having the chance to catch up with fellow deputies over coffee and Danish pastries 😊 ... but a super second best!
- 😊 Thank you to Pam and her team for an inspirational day.