

**Press Release Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2009**

**Education Otherwise to give evidence to the Select Committee Inquiry  
into the Badman Review of Elective Home Education**

Fiona Nicholson, Trustee of Education Otherwise (EO), has been invited to give Oral Evidence to the Select Committee Inquiry into the DCSF-commissioned review of elective home education. <sup>1</sup>

"There are a number of questions around the rushed nature of the Review and the sweeping recommendations which are wholly disproportionate to any evidence for change put forward by Graham Badman" says Fiona, who is also the Chair of EO's Government Policy Group.

Graham Badman had two meetings with Education Otherwise during the course of the Review. <sup>2</sup>

In July Education Otherwise welcomed the news that the Select Committee would look into the conduct of the Badman Review <sup>3</sup>.

Evidence is being heard by the Inquiry in two sessions on Monday 12 October and on Wednesday 14 October 2009.

**Notes to Editors**

**1** Select Committee Inquiry

[http://www.parliament.uk/parliamentary\\_committees/csf/csfpn220709.cfm](http://www.parliament.uk/parliamentary_committees/csf/csfpn220709.cfm)

**2** Review of elective home education in England

<http://www.dcsf.gov.uk/everychildmatters/ete/independentreviewofhomeeducation/irhomeducation/>

**3** Education Otherwise Press Release July 22nd

<http://www.freedomforchildrentogrow.org/pr220709.pdf>

Education Otherwise page about the Review

- <http://www.freedomforchildrentogrow.org/heconsult.htm>

Education Otherwise is the oldest and largest organisation that provides support and information for families whose children are being educated outside school:

<http://www.education-otherwise.org>

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