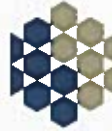


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Dear Barry

INQUIRY INTO EDUCATIONAL UNDERACHIEVEMENT

Thank you for your letter of 25 November regarding the Education Committee's inquiry into Educational Underachievement.

I have examined the terms of reference for your inquiry and considered any areas that would be of particular relevance to my Department's remit. As the impact of this work on public expenditure issues has yet to be determined, I have no comment to make at present.

I wish you well with your inquiry and look forward to hearing the outcome of this important piece of work.

Yours sincerely

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