

Archie Foulds
Leader of Harrow Council

16th December 2003

Dear Archie

Re Education Budget proposals for 2004/5

Following a meeting of LEA officers with Headteachers last Thursday it was agreed that we pass on to you the following points, to help inform your imminent discussions, and confirm the feelings we have at present

- We are deeply concerned at the proposed education budget increase of 6%
- This will not provide adequate funding to run schools next year
- The proposed settlement will have a detrimental impact on our pupils for the foreseeable future
- Schools will have to make cuts which will severely impact on the quality of education in Harrow's schools
- However, we have been encouraged by our recent meetings with Portfolio holders, and now await a positive decision on this unacceptable and harmful proposal.

Yours sincerely,

John Reavely
Chair Secondary Heads

Andy Carter
Chair Primary Heads

Paul Williams
Special schools rep
NAHT Harrow - exec