Options for Consultation

The following replaces the first section in Appendix C (Options for Consultation) of the main report

EDUCATION

	2004-2005	Band D	% Change
Increased funding for schools	£1,200,000	£15.30	1.53%

The Schools in Harrow have identified ongoing funding pressures arising from a number of issues, such as enhanced terms and conditions for teachers required nationally and the difficulties in recruiting and retaining teaching staff locally. Within the base budget figures the Council is proposing to pass on all the increase in schools funding to school budgets that the government requires. However, the local schools have identified that this increase will not meet the costs of all the pressures they will face on their budgets next year.

An increase of £1,200,000 would considerably help the schools to ease the pressure.