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Fairer funding

Thank you for appearing before the Committee last week. We very much appreciated the opportunity to discuss a range of current issues relating to your responsibilities as Secretary of State for Education.

During the evidence session, we had an exchange on the subject of fairer funding. My Committee welcomes the Government's commitment to address this very important area. Our current intention is to examine your department's proposals for reform, once they have been issued for consultation and we will be seeking to arrange access to consultation responses to help us in our work.

At this stage, we should be grateful if you could confirm the likely publication date of the consultation. We also seek confirmation from you that funding for 16 to 18 year olds will be included in the proposals for reform.

We hope that we will see new proposals at an early date. The Committee may of course have to review its own course of action in relation to fairer funding if there is significant delay in publishing a new consultation.

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