



Education Select Committee Report - Ten-year plan needed to fix broken school and college funding system

The Disabled Children's Partnership welcomes today's (19 July) report from the Education Select Committee in the House of Commons on their school and college funding inquiry. The report calls for a ten-year plan to fix the broken school and college funding system. The report includes a chapter on special educational needs and disabilities; and the MPs conclude that:

Special educational needs and disability funding is completely inadequate. There is simply not enough money in the system to provide for the scale of demand. Local authorities are expected to face a funding shortfall in excess of £1 billion by 2021

Commenting on the report, DCP Campaign Manager Stephen Kingdom said:

"We welcome today's report from the Education Committee in the House of Commons, which highlights the dire state of funding for special educational needs. This sits alongside a combined funding gap for of £1.5 billion for health and social care support for disabled children. This is why we are calling on the government to 'give it back' and increase funding for disabled children, across education, health and social care."