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Standing up for local services

Thank you to everyone who has contacted me about standing up for local services.

Government funding to Birmingham City Council has been cut by almost £650 million since 2010. This is the biggest cut in local government history and is more than 75 per cent of the City Council's current net budget. To make matters worse, due to unfairness in the way local government funding has been allocated by the Conservative Government, Birmingham is £100 million a year worse off than if cuts were made fairly.

The reality of this is less money for vital services in Birmingham like children's services and adult social care. Despite this, Birmingham's Labour Council, has continued to prioritise the services most important to local residents but the scale of the cuts has also meant that the City Council have been forced into some very difficult decisions.

All this is why I – and all of Birmingham Labour MPs - have repeatedly called on the Government to provide Birmingham with a fairer funding deal. Ahead of the Autumn Budget, we will continue to make this case to the Chancellor.

Thanks again to everyone who has written to me about cuts to local services.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard Burden'.

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