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Dear colleague,

I am pleased to tell you that I have agreed to enter into a Funding Agreement to allow Kingswinford School and Science College in Kingswinford to convert into an Academy.

As you know, Academies form an integral part of the Government's education policy to raise attainment for all children and to bring about sustained improvements to all schools. I am delighted that Kingswinford School and Science College recognises the benefits Academy status will bring.

The date of conversion will be 1 January 2012, and I am also writing to the Local Authority to instruct them to cease to maintain Kingswinford School and Science College from that date.

MICHAEL GOVE