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Dear Colleague,

Today, the government announced the next round of schools which will have buildings replaced or refurbished as part of the School Rebuilding Programme. The programme addresses buildings in the worst condition across England.

I am pleased to confirm that, following careful consideration on the basis of condition need, the following school has been prioritised for the programme.

School name:	Brindley Heath Junior School Academy
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A list of the schools, information on how they were prioritised and further details about the programme are available online at this address:

www.gov.uk/government/publications/school-rebuilding-programme

The department intends to start a project to replace or refurbish one or more buildings at this school, as appropriate, subject to the school continuing to meet the programme criteria. A member of my team will be in touch in due course to discuss next steps.

In authorising this project, the department is not taking on the responsibility for the maintenance and safety of the school buildings. The rebuilding programme sits alongside – and does not replace or substitute – the responsibility that academy trusts, local authorities, governing bodies, trustees, voluntary aided bodies and other relevant bodies have for the maintenance of buildings in their care and ensuring the health and safety of staff, pupils and visitors whilst on school premises.

Please note that the department reserves the right not to take forward projects where there is little to no long-term need for pupil places. If your school has a significant surplus of places, inclusion in the programme may be subject to an assessment of the need for school places in the area. The project director will confirm if this applies to your school when they establish the project.

As you will be aware, the government's vision is for every school to be part of a family of schools in a strong multi academy trust. It believes that multi academy trusts are the best way to advance education and can deliver clear benefits for teaching and pupil outcomes. If your school is not already part of a multi academy trust, the Regional Director and their team will therefore be happy to discuss the benefits and options with any school wishing to explore this further.

We look forward to working with you on this project.

Yours sincerely

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