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I am writing to inform you of the Government's view of Guildford College's position, in the light of the progress the College have made following the FE Commissioner assessment in January 2014.

As you will be aware, Guildford College triggered FE Commissioner Intervention following SFA found the College to be inadequate for Financial Health. The assessment identified numerous reasons for the College's financial concerns although did recognise that some of these issues were the result of previous poor leadership and governance of the College. The assessment also acknowledged that some of these issues were already being addressed by the current leadership and governance. However, the assessment did include a number of recommendations to address the financial concerns.

Progress against these recommendations have been closely monitored by both FE Commissioner and SFA monitoring processes, and I am encouraged by the confidence now shown in the leadership and governance of the College. I also welcome the actions the College have put in place to address all the necessary improvements.



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Whilst the College remains in formal intervention until it has fully complied with all the conditions set out in the Financial Health Notice of Concern, the FE Commissioner is satisfied that his engagement in the current process is complete and intervention monitoring will pass to the SFA. The Skills Funding Agency will shortly write to you about its continuing monitoring process. I wish you every success with the continued improvement of Guildford College.

You should note that we plan to publish this letter.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nick Boles', written in a cursive style.

NICK BOLES MP