

Submission
No 65

INQUIRY INTO THE BUILDING THE EDUCATION REVOLUTION PROGRAM

Name: Ms Catherine Kady-Jarvis

Date received: 4/06/2010

I have three children attending Tottenham Central School.

As a parent and a taxpayer I am dismayed at the blatant waste of money and resources that has occurred at our school.

A "canteen" has been built for an outrageously excessive amount of money.

The school community did not request or NEED this structure.

It is totally inadequate as a canteen being deficient in space, staff amenities and BASIC functionality. There has been no allowance made to shelter our children from our often extreme climatic conditions.

There was no input sought from the school community as to our needs before this colossal waste of money.

I understand fully the intention of the Government in the BER/stimulus, however this has turned out to be an absolute rort and I suspect that the only ones to be "stimulated" are the building companies involved.

I could have built two family homes with the money that has been spent on this project.

I now hear in the media that "other costs" were inadvertently factored in which artificially inflated the cost..HOWEVER....these "other costs" are not real and this misleading claim also needs to be investigated and backed up with evidence other than the "sound bites" of a flawed Minister.

There has been an obscene amount of money spent on this substandard and unwanted structure at Tottenham Central School, and the people responsible need to be held accountable for it.