

Schools go head to head in debate final

After a keenly contested debate at the House of Commons, Shenley Brook End School has emerged winner of this year's Schools Parliamentary Debates organised by city MPs, Iain Stewart and Mark Lancaster.

The winner went head to head with Stantonbury Campus, who equally gave a sterling performance, arguing the motion that 'The Euro is doomed to fail'.

Iain Stewart, who chaired the debate, said: "I always knew that this was going to be a close call. Participants displayed an exceptionally high standard of debating skills."

"I commend Brent Johnston and Ciall Kennett for doing Shenley Brook End School proud".

Mark Lancaster added: "For the third year in a row I have been highly impressed by the debaters' skills and I thought the Milton Keynes North team put up a great fight. My congratulations go to everyone who took part."

After the debate, students from the various schools were treated to the 'real thing' when their MPs secured tickets for them to watch a live debate going on in the main chamber in Parliament.

The Schools Parliamentary Debate is an annual project organised by both Milton Keynes MPs to develop debating skills in the participants and an awareness of political thinking.