

Modernising the Schools Infrastructure in England

Keynote Talk
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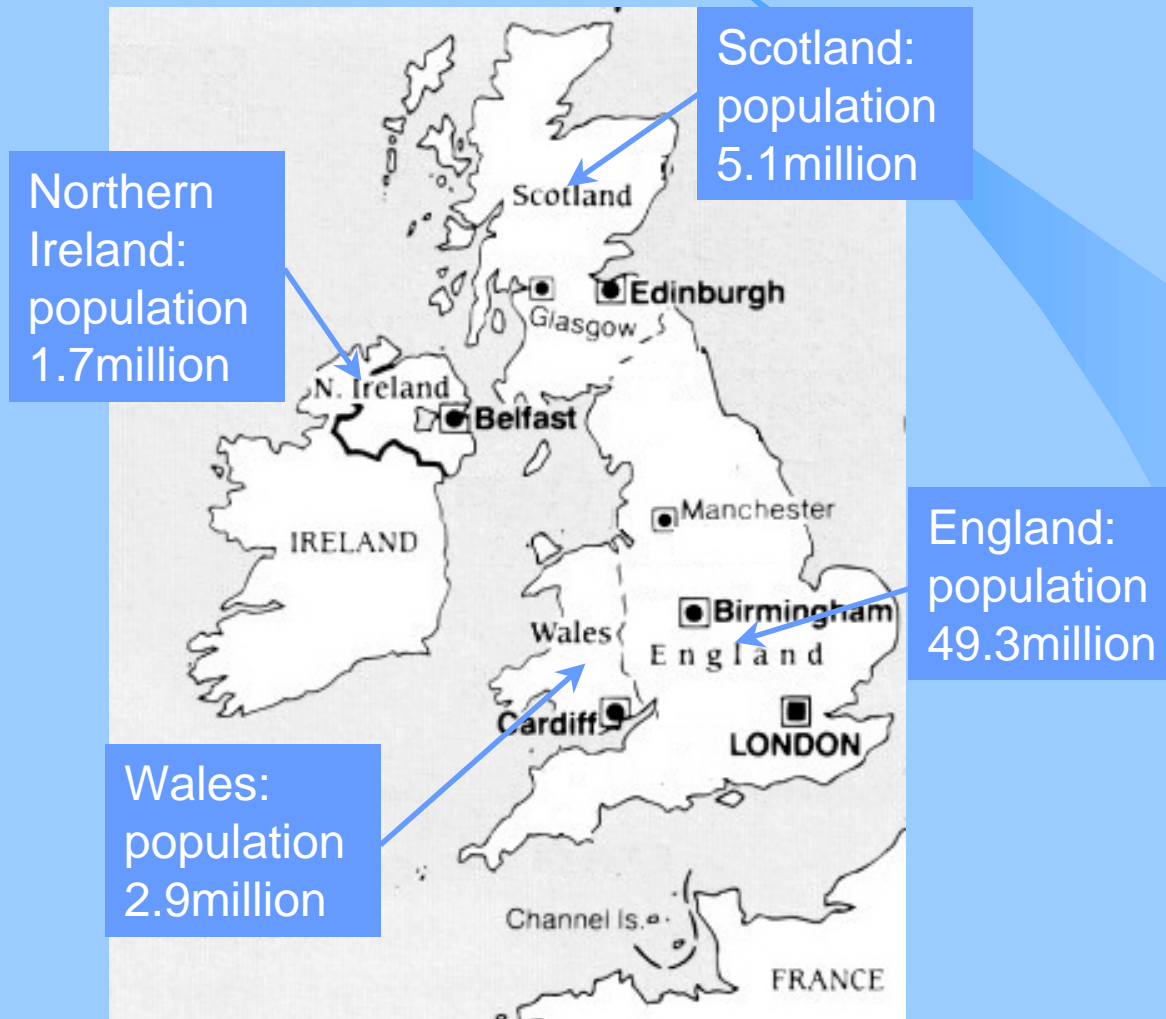


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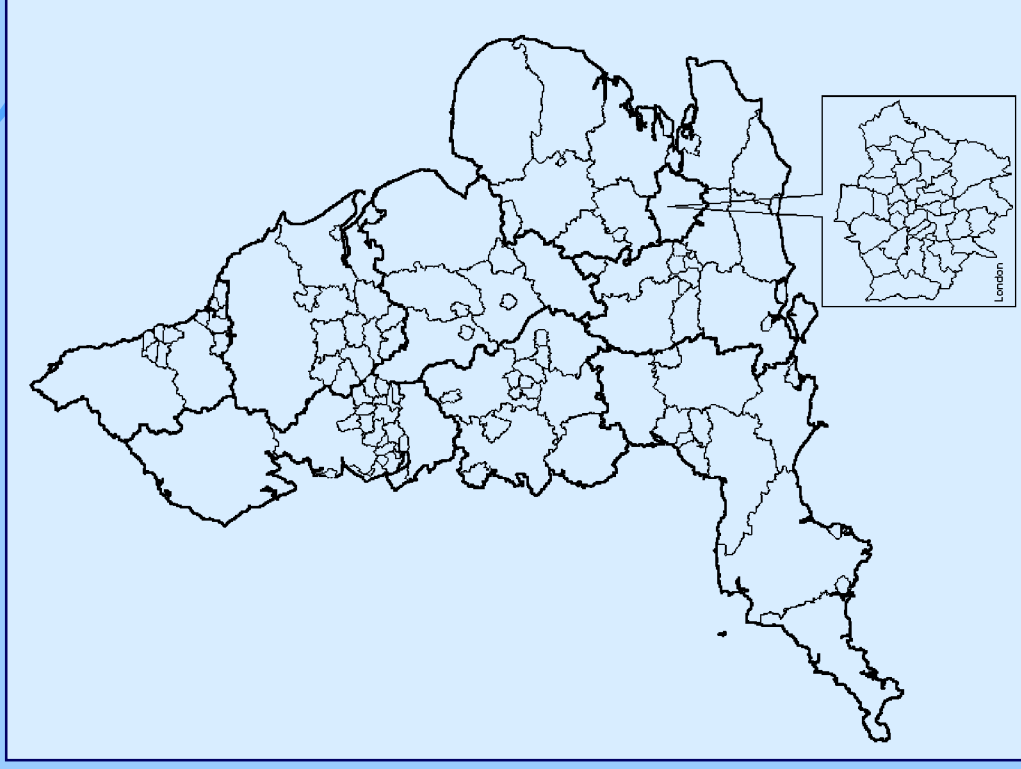
This talk will cover

- background to the English education system
- condition of stock and maintenance backlog
- new Government and its education agenda
- innovation on capital funding
- evaluation study
- some specific programmes to address particular needs

United Kingdom



Local Education Authorities (LEAs)



Some basic statistics

24,000 schools

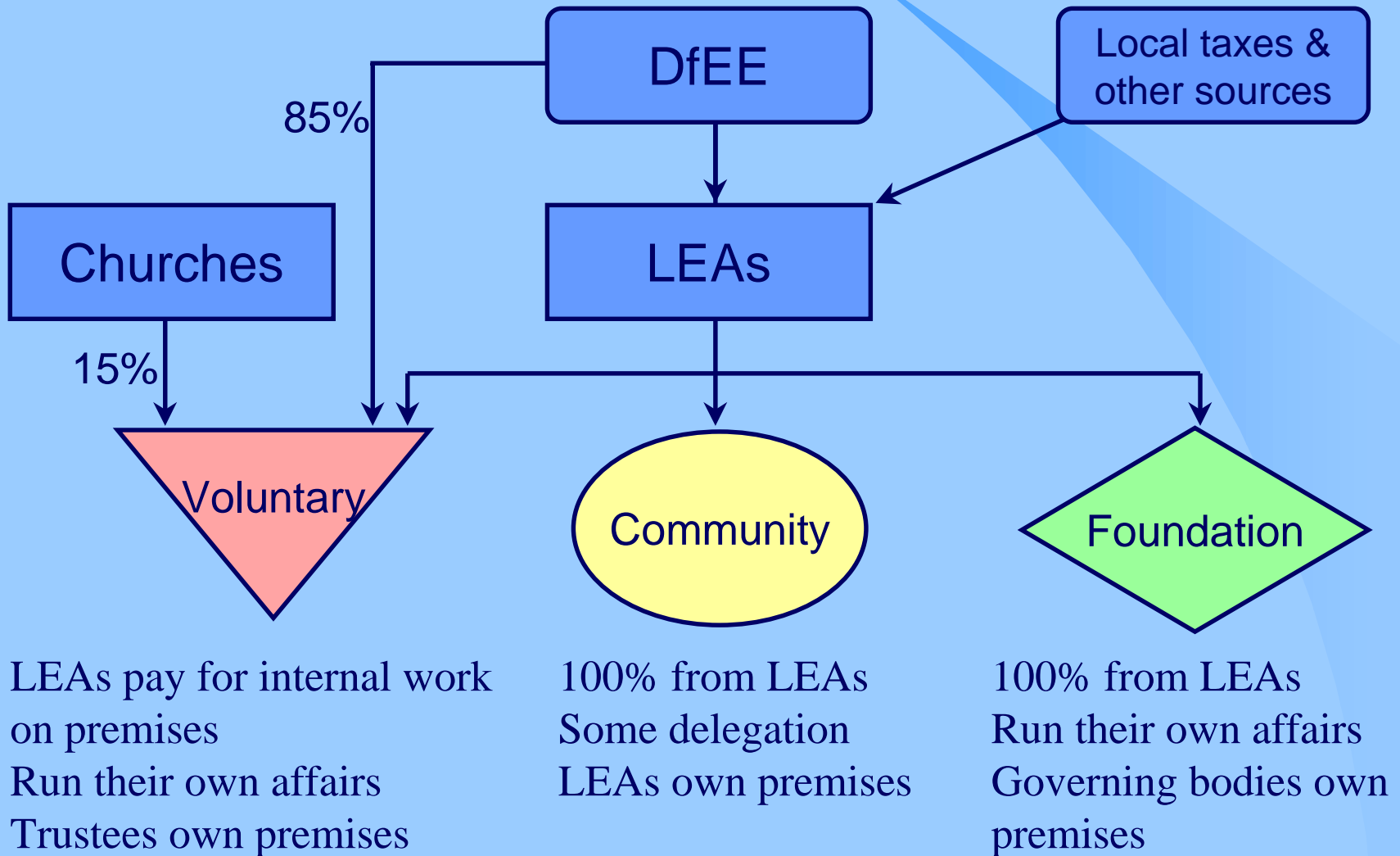
9 million pupils

460,000 teachers

Types of maintained school

Community	-	15,850
Voluntary (Aided & Controlled)	-	7,250
Foundation	-	<u>900</u>
Total		<u>24,000</u>

Funding arrangements (premises)





19th Century (rural)



Victorian (urban)



1930s



1950s

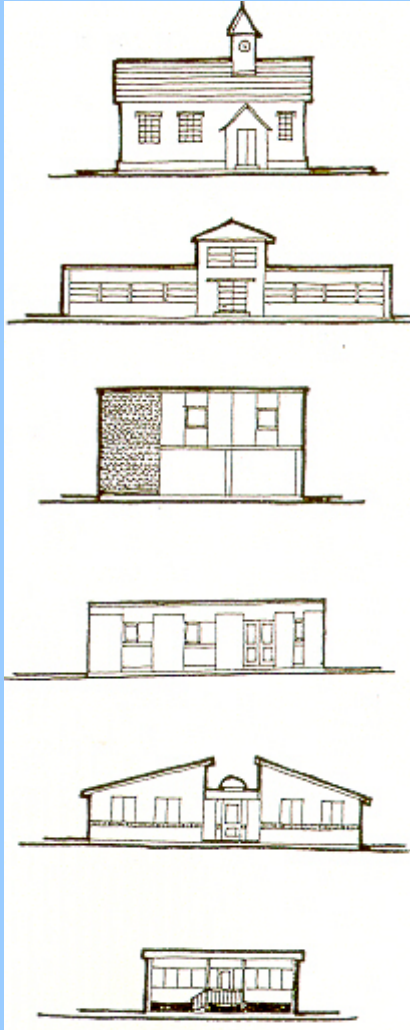


Modern



Temporary buildings

Age & type of existing building stock



Pre-1919
(circa 80 years lifespan)

Inter-War
(circa 60 years lifespan)

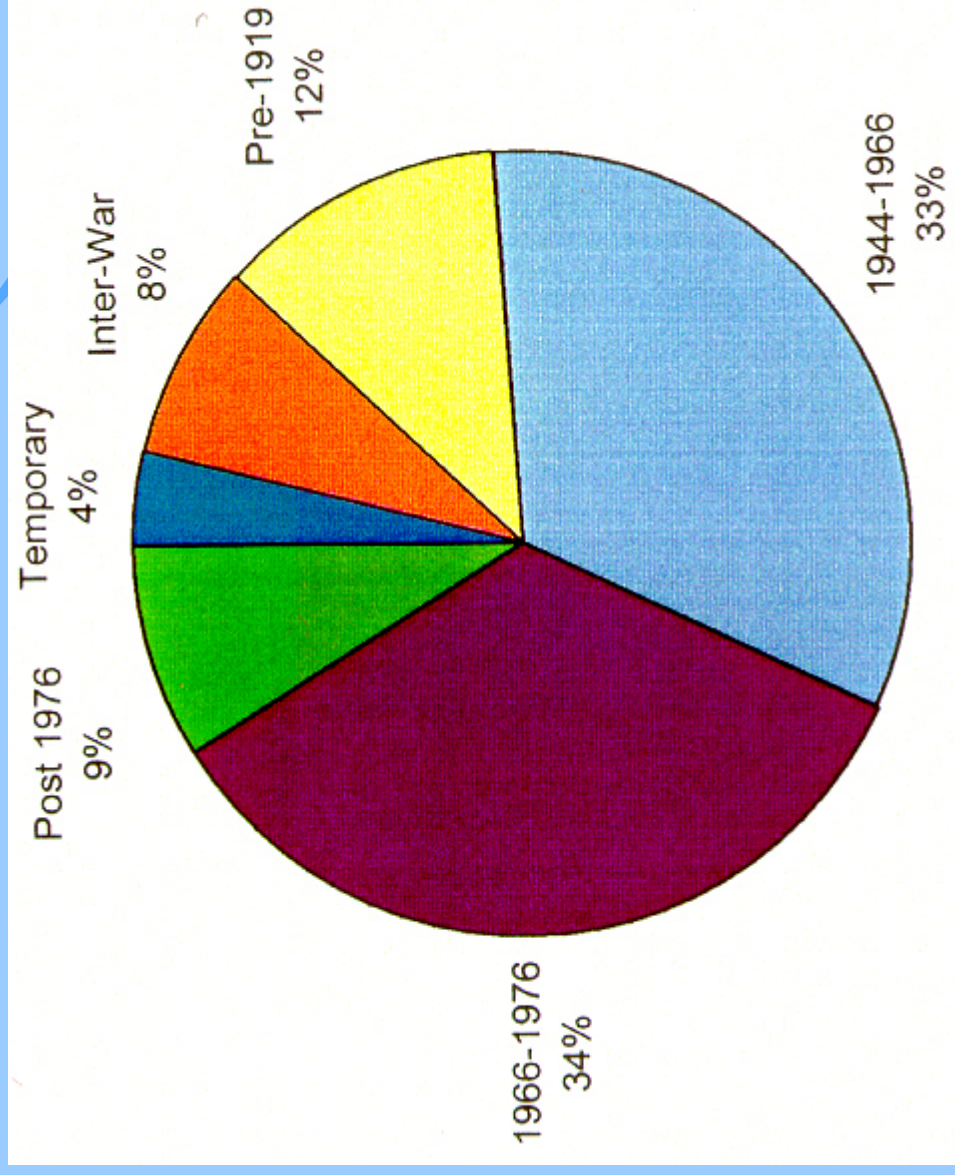
1944-1966
(circa 30-40 years lifespan)

1966-1976
(mostly system building)

Post 1976
(modern buildings)

Temporary buildings

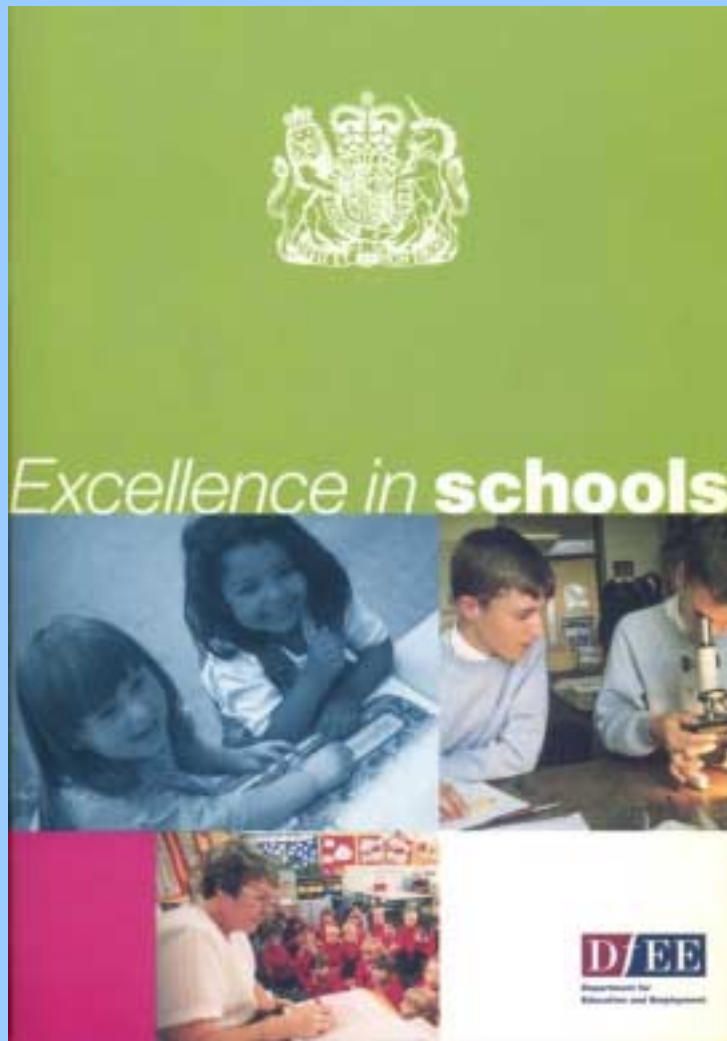
Age of existing school building stock



Existing stock

- **Value of school buildings:**
 - £60 billion**
 - \$100 billion**
- **1 in 5 schools has unsatisfactory accommodation (recent OFSTED report)**

New Government - New Deal



- Aim for excellence for all in education
- Improve literacy and numeracy standards in primary schools
- Raise attainment levels in secondary schools
- Increase staying-on rate post-16
- Intervene where schools are failing - 'zero tolerance'
- Establish local partnerships to innovate and drive up standards
- Modernise education system

Capital Spending in Schools

(1998-99 to 2001-02)

	£ billion
Capital baseline	2.5
New Deal for Schools	1.0
Comprehensive Spending Review	1.4
Public Private Partnerships	1.1
Class Size Reduction	<u>0.2</u>
Total	<u>6.2</u>

- Capital Modernisation Fund - £350 million over 2 years
- Represents about **10%** of the value of stock over 4 years

New sources of money

- **Public Private Partnerships / Private Finance Initiative**
 - **focus on what we do best**
 - **transfer of risk**
 - **improved value for money**

Key challenges

- **Way of targeting money more effectively**
- **Better delivery mechanisms**
- **Evaluation**