## <u>British High Commissioner meets Prime</u> Minister Shehbaz Sharif

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British High Commissioner Christian Turner on Wednesday met Prime Minister of Pakistan Shehbaz Sharif at PM House.



Congratulating the Prime Minister on assuming office, the High Commissioner stressed the deep people-to-people ties between the two countries, in this 75th anniversary year of bilateral relations.

The High Commissioner and the Prime Minister discussed the strong bilateral development relationship, with the High Commissioner noting that UK aid has enabled nearly 16m children (including 7.4 million girls) to attend school since 2011.

The High Commissioner and the Prime Minister looked forward to working closely together on this and other areas of shared interest, including global challenges and strengthening trade and investment links.

## Notes to editors:

Since 2011, UK aid has: helped over 15.8m children in primary and second school, of which 7.4m are girls; provided training in new skills for almost 250,000 people (of which 47% are women); helped 6.6 million people (53% women) access microfinance loans; and SME loans.

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