Pro-Chancellor,

Born on the last day of World War Two, Tim can claim to be one of the first, if not the first, baby boomer.

Brought up in West London, he attended and was head boy at Southall Grammar School, before embarking on a
physics degree at Leeds University. Tim remembers finding the transition from school to university – and the
resulting move from leafy London suburbs to the urban north – a difficult one. Nevertheless, as he approached
graduation, he planned to extend his passion for education by becoming a teacher.