



## CAERPHILLY STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION – 24TH FEBRUARY 2010

**SUBJECT: ESIS WEBSITE**

**REPORT BY: ESIS**

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### 1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 The report is to inform members of the materials available to schools on the ESIS website.

### 2. SUMMARY

2.1 ESIS WEBSITE: [www.esis.org.uk](http://www.esis.org.uk)

2.2 ESIS is the Education and School Improvement Service that serves the education authorities and the schools of Bridgend, Caerphilly, Merthyr Tydfil and Rhondda Cynon Taf. ESIS provides a comprehensive service that covers all curriculum areas and all phases from early years to post-16.

2.3 As part of its continued support for local authorities and schools the ESIS website was launched in December 2009. The website provides access to information relating to ESIS services, inset courses and information about published resources. There is also a 'good practice' section where teachers share examples of effective learning strategies and thinking skills.

2.4 There is an extensive 'What's New' sections that provides additional guidance on a subject / phase level. Information and guidance is available to schools in relation to Religious Education and Collective Worship.

### 3. INFORMATION

3.1 Information currently available on the 'What's New' section:

#### **Religious Education**

- Copies of the Agreed Syllabus for Religious Education
- Handbook to the Agreed Syllabus
- Resource lists to support the implementation of the Agreed Syllabus
- Examples of planning templates and schemes of work for religious education
- Sample PowerPoint from training sessions e.g. Agreed Syllabus Inset
- Examples of DCELLS documents that relate to RE e.g. Religious Education: Guidance for 14-19 Year – Olds (DCELLS)

#### **Collective Worship**

- List of useful collective worship websites
- Planning template for Collective Worship
- Examples of documents that relate to collective worship e.g. Estyn Supplementary Guidance on inspecting collective worship; WASACRE Guidance for Changes in

Legislation for Post 16 Collective Worship

- PowerPoint from training session e.g. Collective Worship Inset
- Support materials for arranging an act of collective worship to commemorate Holocaust Memorial Day.

3.2 The website will be updated on a regular basis and further information relating to RE and Collective Worship will be available to teachers.

#### **4. RECOMMENDATION**

4.1 Members are invited to note the report.

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