

## **CAERPHILLY COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**DATE:** 19TH JUNE 2017

**REPORT TO:** STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**SUBJECT:** REVISED GCSE AND GCE SPECIFICATIONS FOR RS – UPDATE

### **A PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To provide an update on the revised GCSE RS Specifications and the support available to schools.

### **B BACKGROUND**

EAS have appointed two lead practitioners to support schools with the implementation of the new Religious Studies GCSE specifications to be taught from September 2017.

- Rhian Davies – King Henry VIII
- Clare Lane - Ebbw Fawr LC

A network meeting has been organised for 28th June 2017 at King Henry VIII School in Abergavenny, NP7 6EP. It will run from 2-4pm.

HODs wishing to book a place should do so via CPD online.

Some work has already been done by the GCSE lead practitioners on mapping out Christianity and Hinduism and other religions will follow. This will be shared at the meeting on June 28<sup>th</sup>

The venue may well change to accommodate teachers from different local authorities.

Caerphilly SACRE has already sent a letter (May 2017) informing schools of the event.

Funding has been secured for Rhian Davies to continue for the next academic year 2017/18. There is an intention to hold one network meeting per term. There is also an expectation that the GCSE lead will go out to schools to support where necessary.

### **C RECOMMENDATION**

For Caerphilly SACRE to discuss and note the report.