

CAERPHILLY STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (SACRE)

STANDING CONFERENCE (AGREED SYLLABUS)

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT NEWBRIDGE SCHOOL, BRIDGE STREET, NEWBRIDGE ON MONDAY 20TH MAY 2019 AT 3.30 P.M.

PRESENT:

Councillor J. Taylor - Chair Mrs J. Jones (Church in Wales) - Vice Chair

Councillors:

Mrs T. Parry

Representing Teaching Organisations: Miss H. Bartley (ATL), Ms M. Jones (UCAC),

Representing Religious Organisations: Mr M. Western (Salvation Army)

Together with:

Ms P. Webber (RE Adviser – EAS), Mrs S. Evans (Healthy Schools Practitioner), Miss R. Barrett (Committee Services Officer)

Also present:

Ms S. Fielding (Challenge Adviser – Powys ERW)

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs E.M Aldworth, Mrs G.D. Oliver, J. Ridgewell and J. Simmonds, together with Mrs T. Lloyd (NAHT), Mrs E. Hawthorn (United Reformed Church) and Mr P. Warren (CCBC Strategic Lead for School Improvement).

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest received at the commencement or during the course of the meeting.

3. RE-ADOPTION OF THE CURRENT AGREED SYLLABUS FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The report informed Members of the requirement to review the Agreed Syllabus for RE on a five year basis and asked the Standing Conference to review and re-adopt the 2008 agreed syllabus for religious education. The agreed syllabus sets out the requirements that schools should follow in order to meet statutory requirements.

Members were reminded that in June 2013, Standing Conference endorsed the re-adoption of the Caerphilly Agreed Syllabus for Religious Education, with an understanding that the syllabus would be reviewed once further information is received in relation to the assessment and national curriculum review.

Ms Webber explained that Caerphilly SACRE has been updated on a termly basis of developments with the National Curriculum review and the development of the Humanities curriculum, and that schools should follow the current agreed syllabus until further notice.

Members were advised that it is considered prudent at this time for all Standing Conferences across Wales to re-adopt the existing Agreed Syllabus, given that the new curriculum is not due to be implemented until 2022.

Having considered the report, it was moved and seconded that the current agreed syllabus be readopted until the implementation of the new Curriculum in 2022, and by a show of hands this was unanimously agreed.

The meeting closed at 3.35 p.m.

Approved as a correct record and subject to any amendments or corrections agreed and recorded in the minutes of the meeting held on 23rd October 2019, they were signed by the Chair.

CHAIR	