CAERPHILLY COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT TO: STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR RELIGIOUS

EDUCATION

DATE: 9TH MARCH 2015

SUBJECT: NATIONAL CURRICULUM REVIEW AND ASSESSMENT

Background

On 1st October 2012 the Minister for Education and Skills, announced a review of assessment and the National Curriculum in Wales. This review includes two phases.

Phase 1 - will focus on strengthening the teaching of literacy, numeracy and wider skills, ensuring continuity and progression from Foundation Phase to key stage 4.

Phase 2 - will focus on curriculum design at each phase/stage of education to ensure that we have a broad and balanced curriculum which is fit for the twenty-first century. It will include consideration of the Basic Curriculum which is where RE sits within the curriculum.

Professor Donaldson will be reporting back to the Education Minister on Phase 2 and the outcomes are due out in February 2015 and if available by the time of the meeting will be reported upon orally.