

## **AGREED SYLLABUS CONFERENCE**

**TUESDAY, 7 JUNE 2011**

**PRESENT:-**

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| <b>Group A:</b><br>Christian Denominations and<br>Other Religions or Religious<br>Denominations | Mr Arun Bedi (Sikh Community), Mr David<br>Burbidge (Baptist Church), Mr Mark Cawte<br>(Methodist), Mrs Sarah Lane Cawte (United<br>Reformed Church), Reverend David Howell<br>(Swindon Evangelical Alliance), Mr M S Khan<br>(Muslim Community) and Mr Dinesh Patel<br>(Hindu Community) |
| <b>Group B:</b><br>Church of England  | Miss Janet French, Ms Steph Mundin and Mrs<br>Penny Summers.  |
| <b>Group C:</b><br>Teacher Organisations  | Ms Jo Garton (Vice-Chair in the chair), Mrs<br>Tracy Mason, Ms Helen Miller, Miss Lottie Rowe<br>and Mrs Mandy Sandleton.   |
| <b>Group D:</b><br>Councillors  | Councillors Claire Ellis, Ellen Osa and Joe Tray.   |
- Also in attendance: Katy Staples (SACRE Adviser), Paddy Bradley  
(Director of Schools and Learning), Sarah  
Foulkes (Primary Link Adviser) and Sarah  
Lawrence (Clerk to the SACRE)

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Doreen Dart (Chair), Councillor Raymond Fisher, Reverend Norma McKemey, Reverend Arthur Woo, Mr David Easter and Mr Tony McAteer.

### **1. Declarations of Interest**

The Chair reminded Members of the need to declare any known interests in any matters to be considered at the meeting. No declarations were made.

### **2. Minutes**

Resolved – That the minutes of the meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> March 2011, be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

### **3. Update to the Swindon Locally Agreed Syllabus for Religious Education**

The Agreed Syllabus Conference considered a report from Ms Katy Staples (SACRE Advisor) asking for final approval of the Updated Locally Agreed Syllabus for Religious Education to come into effect from September 2011 and to note the arrangements for the launch of the Syllabus to take place on 16<sup>th</sup> June 2011 at Bridlewood School.

The Conference considered the Update to the Locally Agreed Syllabus attached to the Agenda which had been prepared by the Agreed Syllabus Working Group, together an additional paper circulated subsequently setting out final amendments to the Update and a list of which units the Working Group had been selected for Key Stage 3 to be identified as compulsory or recommended, in order to ensure a breadth of study. It was noted that the Syllabus and all the supporting materials would be made available to schools via the Schools Online website.

The Conference broke into its Constituent Groups in order to vote on the approval of the Syllabus.

Resolved – 1) That the four Groups of the Conference unanimously agree that the Update to the Locally Agreed Syllabus as Appended to the Agenda, be formally approved, together with the amendments that had been made to the supporting materials described in the report.

2) That the SACRE Advisor and the Locally Agreed Syllabus Working Group be thanked for their work on the Locally Agreed Syllabus Update.

3) That Ms Jo Garton and Bridlewood School be thanked for hosting the launch of the Locally Agreed Syllabus update to take place on 16<sup>th</sup> June 2011.