SACRE Strategy Sub Group / Agreed Syllabus Working Group

held on Monday, 21 September, 2009 at 4.30 p.m.

at Green Lane Baptist Church, Walsall

Present

Councillor D. Turner Mrs. S. Blackmore Mr. D. Thakker Mr. R. Simmons Mrs. Valerie Morris

Apologies

Apologies for non-attendance were submitted on behalf of Councillor Ault, Reverend E. Snowden and Mrs. M. Gibbons.

Appointment of Chairman

Resolved

That Councillor D. Turner be appointed Chairman of the SACRE Strategy Sub/Agreed Syllabus Working Group for the 2009/10 Municipal Year.

Late items to be introduced by the Chairman

There were no late items to be introduced by the Chairman.

Review of Agreed Syllabus – update

Mr. Taylor confirmed that version 14 of the Agreed Syllabus, the Statutory Guidance had now been agreed by Lat Blaylock (R.E. Today). A copy of the non-statutory guidance was circulated:-

(see annexed)

Key Stages 1 and 2 included more content to provide teachers with a structure on the delivery of R.E. Non-specialist teachers would have sufficient material to enable them to teach from the document.

The 'I can' statements would be included in the assessment section.

The glossary and non-statutory guidance would be included as appendices.

The Agreed Syllabus would require the approval of the Agreed Syllabus Conference and then referred to SACRE.

The effective date for the Agreed Syllabus would be September 2010 to August 2015, with a launch date of January 2010, this would provide schools with sufficient time to plan the syllabus.

It was suggested that the SACRE Conference should include a workshop on the Agreed Syllabus.

Mr. Taylor confirmed that the proposed syllabus would be used for inset training.

Draft agenda for Agreed Syllabus Conference and SACRE, 12 October, 2009

It was agreed:

- (1) that the Agreed Syllabus Conference would take place at 5.30 p.m. to consider the revised Agreed Syllabus;
- that SACRE commence at 5.40 p.m. or immediately following the Agreed Syllabus Conference, whichever if the later;
- (3) that Mr. Simmons give a short presentation on the Holocaust Convention;
- (4) That the Self-Evaluation Working Group be held on 1 October, 2009 and 26 November, 2009 commencing at 4.00 p.m. and ending by 5.30 p.m. in a Conference Room, Council House, Walsall

Termination of meeting

The meeting terminated at 5.30 p.m.