

Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education
13th May 2009
Report of the Corporate Director (Children and Lifelong Learning)

Staffordshire Agreed Syllabus Conference: Agreeing the Syllabus

1 Purpose of Report

1.1 To invite members to convene an Agreed Syllabus Conference with a view to agreeing the 2009 Agreed Syllabus for Religious Education for Staffordshire.

2 Summary

2.1 SACREs are required by law to convene an Agreed Syllabus Conference in order to agree a new syllabus for the local authority

2.2 As an Agreed Syllabus Conference, members may vote to ratify the syllabus as discussed by the SACRE.

3 Recommendation

3.1 That the chair convene an Agreed Syllabus Conference

3.2 That members approve the Agreed Syllabus for Staffordshire 2009

4 Background

4.1 The role of an Agreed Syllabus Conference is to produce and recommend an agreed syllabus which meets fully the requirements of legislation and is educationally sound.

4.2 Only an Agreed Syllabus Conference may recommend an agreed syllabus and its recommendations must be unanimously agreed by the committees constituting the conference.

4.3 The local authority may give effect to the recommendation of the Agreed Syllabus Conference if it is unanimous in recommending the new syllabus and provided the syllabus complies with legal requirements.

4 Equal Opportunities

4.2 This report has been prepared in accordance with the County Council's policies on equal opportunities.

5 Financial implications

5.2 Production costs of the Agreed Syllabus will be met from the SACRE budget.

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