

Minutes of a Meeting of the **STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION IN CEREDIGION** held via conferencing on
Wednesday, 26 January 2022

PRESENT:

Representing Ceredigion County Council: Councillors Keith Evans, Lyndon Lloyd MBE, Dai Mason and Lynford Thomas

Representing Teacher Association: Miss Joyce Howells (NASUWT) (Chair)

Religious Denominations: Prof Densil Morgan, Baptist Union of Wales, Rev Aled Jones, The Union of Welsh Independents, Prof John Tudno Williams, The Presbyterian Church of Wales, Anna Uruska- – The Catholic Church, Rev Mark Ansell – The Church of Wales

Co-opted Members: Professor Catrin Williams and Mr Maldwyn Pryse

Representing Primary Sector:

Also in attendance: Mrs Mary Davies, Corporate Manager – School Improvement School Services, Ms Nia Jones, Corporate Manager – Democratic Services and Mrs Dana Jones, Democratic Services and Standards Officer

(4:00pm-5:00pm)

- 1 Prayers**
The Meeting commenced with Rev Aled Jones leading the Committee in prayer.
- 2 Apologies**
Mr Eirwyn Griffiths apologised for his inability to attend the meeting.
- 3 To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting held on 16 December 2021 and to consider any matters arising from those Minutes**
It was AGREED to confirm as a true record the Minutes of the Meeting of the Standing Advisory Council held on 16 December 2021.

Matters arising
None.
- 4 Update on vacant seats on Ceredigion's Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education (SACRE)**
The Corporate Manager – School Improvement School Services reported that Mr Maldwyn Pryse had accepted the invite to become a co-opted Member of committee. All present welcomed him to the committee as an experienced and valued member.
- 5 To discuss arrangements for the Conference on the Approved Syllabus**

Consideration was given to the arrangements for the Conference on the Approved Syllabus. A Summary of the Legal Requirements in relation to the Approved Syllabus was firstly presented to the Committee prior to agreeing the following:-

- that the Corporate Manager continues to seek an Humanist representative on the committee;
- that the Corporate Manager to contact the Muslim representative suggested by the committee;
- both to be invited to the Conference accordingly;
- that consideration be given to preparing supporting packs for schools in relation to the RE syllabus as the new syllabus was lax and that there was a need to include local references/history within the teaching material, the Corporate Manager reported that ten teachers had been employed within Wales to address the curriculum work , and the adequacy of the material provided by them would be required to be considered prior to preparing additional packs;
- that an annexe to the syllabus be provided with local reference to RE;
- that the syllabus be provided as a pdf version to all Members with page numbers for easy reference to the reader;
- that the Conference be held at 2pm on Friday, 04 March 2022;
- that Miss Joyce Howells chaired the Conference; and
- that all Members agreed to the draft agenda for the Conference as presented

Confirmed at the Meeting of the Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education in Ceredigion (SACRE) held on

Chairman: _____

Date: _____