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AGREED SYLLABUS CONFERENCE
WEDNESDAY, 8TH FEBRUARY, 2012 AT 5.30 PM (FOLLOWING THE CLOSE OF THE MEETING OF THE SACRE)
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NOTICE OF MEETING

You are requested to attend the above Meeting at the time and date indicated to deal with the business set out in the following agenda.

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RUTH BAGLEY Chief Executive

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Agreed Syllabus Conference – Meeting held on Wednesday, 12th October, 2011.

Present:-

Committee 1 – Christian Denominations and Other Faiths Sue Elbrow (Free Churches), Vijay Gupta (Hindu, as deputy)

Committee 2 – Church of England Andrew Allen, Alan Bignell, Jo Fageant and Christine Isles

Committee 3 – Representatives of Teacher Associations Lynda Bussley (NUT)

Committee 4 – Representatives of the LA Councillors Bains, Basharat, MS Mann

Apologies for Absence:- None

1. Election of Chair

Resolved:- That Lynda Bussley be elected Chair for the year 2011/12.

2. Update on syllabus review - Jo Fageant

Jo Fageant, Chair of the Slough SACRE, updated the Conference on the ongoing syllabus review. Six SACREs in the local area have agreed to a shared review. A working party of teachers from all Key Stages had met in the Autumn, with faith groups due to meet in the Spring. The main point emerging from discussions with teachers was that no major changes to the syllabus were required. It had been suggested that the new syllabus be "slimmed down", and rather than have a number of guiding 'key questions' for each different faith, there would be seven question that would apply to all faiths at Key Stage 1 and ten at Key Stage 2. The new focus for the syllabus would be 'Believing, Behaving, Belonging'.

It was noted that no representative from schools in Slough had attended these forums, and it was advised that the Local Authority both make sure that Slough is represented, and that representatives from Slough attend meetings for faith groups in the Spring.

3. Date of next meeting

It was confirmed that the next meeting would be on 8th February, directly following the meeting of the SACRE.

Chair

(Note: The Meeting opened at 5.35 pm and closed at 5.55 pm)

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