

### **AGENDA**

# Herefordshire Agreed Syllabus Conference

Date: Tuesday 1 December 2009

Time: 3.15 pm (or on the rising of SACRE if later)

Place: Council Chamber, Brockington

Notes: Please note the time, date and venue of the meeting.

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## Agenda for the Meeting of the Herefordshire Agreed Syllabus Conference

#### Membership

Chairman Vice-Chairman

**Councillor J Stone** 

Councillor WU Attfield Local Authority
Mrs. C. Ault Bahai faith
Mrs L Barker Secondary Teachers

Revd. P. Barlow
Mr. P. Bowen
Mrs. J. Brown
Councillor P Jones CBE
Control of England
Special Education
Local Authority

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Mrs G Jutle Sikh Faith

Mr T Leach Church of England
Mrs S McCamley Primary Schools
Sr. D. O'Donnell Roman Catholic Church

Mr. Z. Pandor Muslim Faith

Rev L Rickards Free Church Representative

Ms C Wolfe Jewish Faith

**Non Voting** 

#### **GUIDANCE ON DECLARING PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS AT MEETINGS**

The Council's Members' Code of Conduct requires Councillors to declare against an Agenda item(s) the nature of an interest and whether the interest is personal or prejudicial. Councillors have to decide first whether or not they have a personal interest in the matter under discussion. They will then have to decide whether that personal interest is also prejudicial.

A personal interest is an interest that affects the Councillor more than most other people in the area. People in the area include those who live, work or have property in the area of the Council. Councillors will also have a personal interest if their partner, relative or a close friend, or an organisation that they or the member works for, is affected more than other people in the area. If they do have a personal interest, they must declare it but can stay and take part and vote in the meeting.

Whether an interest is prejudicial is a matter of judgement for each Councillor. What Councillors have to do is ask themselves whether a member of the public – if he or she knew all the facts – would think that the Councillor's interest was so important that their decision would be affected by it. If a Councillor has a prejudicial interest then they must declare what that interest is. A Councillor who has declared a prejudicial interest at a meeting may nevertheless be able to address that meeting, but only in circumstances where an ordinary member of the public would be also allowed to speak. In such circumstances, the Councillor concerned will have the same opportunity to address the meeting and on the same terms. However, a Councillor exercising their ability to speak in these circumstances must leave the meeting immediately after they have spoken.

#### **AGENDA**

#### 1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

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To note that the Local Authority has appointed Councillor J Stone as Chairman of the Herefordshire Agreed Syllabus Conference.

#### 2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence.

#### 3. NAMED SUBSTITUTES

To receive details of any Members nominated to attend the meeting in place of a Member of the Committee.

#### 4. GUIDANCE FOR THE AGREED SYLLABUS CONFERENCE

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To inform the Conference of a number of issues relating to the role of an Agreed Syllabus Conference and agree key principals and a draft timetable to guide the formulation of an Agreed Religious Education Syllabus.

#### 5. AGREED SYLLABUS REVIEW - CURRENT POSITION

The Consultant for Religious Education will report on the background work undertaken so far and propose areas of work to be undertaken.