

CALDERDALE METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL  
CALDERDALE STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL ON RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**Minutes of Local Agreed Syllabus Conference**

**Tuesday 12 March 2024**

**6.00 pm**

**Held at Dewsbury Town Hall**

**Wakefield Road, Dewsbury, WF12 8DG**

**Members in attendance:**

**Committee A**

Representing Other Denominations & Faiths	Mr Jake Womack (JW) Mr Nikunj Patel (NP) sub for Dipan Mistry
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**Committee B**

Representing the Church of England	Ms Shelagh Hirst (SH) (Chair) Ms Janet Lapthorne (JL)
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**Committee C**

Teachers/Unions	Mr Mark Sharp (MS) (Vice Chair) Ms Helen Crowther (HC) Ms Katie Jennings (KJ) Ms Ruth Walker (RW)
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**Committee D**

Representing Calderdale Council	Cllr Dot Foster (DF)
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<b>In attendance</b>	Mr Ian Ross (IR)
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Quorum for the meeting is 1 representative from each of the 4 Committees

1. Welcome from the Chairs of SACRE
2. Overview presentation from the Pennine Learning Team re Joint SACRE Local Agreed Syllabus: Believing and Belonging 24-29 for Bradford; Calderdale, Kirklees & Leeds
3. Motion for individual SACREs to agree the syllabus:

After a positive discussion about the revised syllabus it was agreed unanimously that:

Calderdale Local Agreed Syllabus Conference approves and commends the revised 'Believing and Belonging' syllabus for use in schools from September 2024.

Proposed: MS

Seconded: DF

4. Review of the Ofsted report on the teaching of RE in schools: IR reported that the full report had not yet been released, but information was shared regarding RE in the Annual Report of His Majesty's Chief Inspector 2022-23. Further relevant information will be circulated to individual SACREs to discuss how SACREs can support schools in overcoming barriers mentioned at a future meeting.
5. Dates for next Calderdale meetings and themes

**Meeting 4:** Tuesday 25 June 2024 – 6.00 pm - Theme – AGM and feedback from either community cohesion team or LA officer