

Outline of costs of 4 options for the adoption of a Locally Agreed Syllabus for presentation at the Agreed Syllabus conference

For consideration by the Agreed Syllabus Conference - The allocated budget for the production of an Agreed Syllabus is £5000

Option 1 – RE Today Bespoke Syllabus	Maintained Schools	Cost to Primary Academies	Cost to Secondary Academies	Total cost to the Local Authority
<p>An Agreed Syllabus Conference (ASC) set up, overseeing the review</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •A survey of teachers •Initial drafts by the adviser / a consultant •Teacher working groups to feed into the process of reviewing the drafts •Re-writing by the adviser / a consultant •Approval from ASC/SACRE and the Local Authority •Design and production of text and/or online version. 	None	Syllabus, Support materials and (training costs would be covered by the Local Authority – as training would already be set up for Primary maintained.)	Syllabus Support materials and training costs	<p>Approximate: £12,000 - £25,000 This would need to be discussed and would depend on the extent to which LA/SACRE wished to involve teacher working groups.</p>

Option 2 – RE Today Syllabus A	Maintained School costs	Cost to Primary Academies	Cost to Secondary Academies	Cost to LA of covering statutory duties
<p>Provides the minimum for a SACRE / LA to fulfil its legal requirement, and is designed to offer clear, practical support for schools in planning and teaching excellent RE. The agreement is to buy a five-year licence with RE Today. Additional support resources are also available to purchase.</p>	<p>Syllabus - nil Support Materials - nil Training - nil</p>	<p>Syllabus - £90 Support Materials - £248 Training - £100 per school</p>	<p>Syllabus - £96 Support Materials -£248 Training - £1000 (Split between those who attend)</p>	<p>£270 £744 £1000 Total £2014</p>

Option 3 – RE Today Syllabus B	Maintained Schools	Cost to Primary Academies	Cost to Secondary Academies	Cost to LA of covering statutory duties
<p>A newly developed model with a more systematic approach compared to the more thematic approach of syllabus model A. The agreement is to buy a five-year licence with RE Today. Additional support resources are also available to purchase.</p> <p>Additional training is required for ‘Understanding Christianity’ – this is subsidised, but is why there is an extra cost in option 3</p>	<p>Syllabus - nil Support Materials - nil Training - nil</p>	<p>Syllabus - £90 Support Materials £160 Training - £180 Understanding Christianity £100 - syllabus training</p>	<p>Syllabus - £88 Support Materials - £160 Understanding Christianity training £180 Training - £1000 (split between those who attend)</p>	<p>£270 – 5 year licence for syllabus £180 (UC) £480 – support materials £1000 - training Total cost: £1930</p>

Option 4 - Locally Agreed Syllabus 5 year licence from Regional Partner	Maintained Schools	Cost to Primary Academies	Cost to Secondary Academies	Cost to LA of covering statutory duties
<p>Cost of licence and use of syllabus for 5 years is £5500</p> <p>Optional support (as used by Durham and other LAs for implementation for their Agreed Syllabus)- Price upon asking if syllabus adopted.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consultancy support - briefing for HTs and Governors • Virtual launch event (hosted, platform and associated materials- 4 spaced online workshops with RE Adviser) if the syllabus is adopted and unchanged. • Primary RE Coordinators course – Virtual training using an online platform with embedded resources and some live virtual sessions – support for implementation and mid leader development 	<p>Nil</p>	<p>£50 per paper copy</p>	<p>£50 per paper copy</p>	<p>£5500</p>

Overview of available options in the production of a new Locally Agreed Syllabus

Summer 2021

The Agreed budget by the Education department for this piece of work is:

Please note that: SACREs are responsible for ensuring that pupils in the local authority's Maintained Schools receive their statutory entitlement in RE, of the highest possible quality.

Each committee has to agree the syllabus not just a majority. If a syllabus cannot be agreed it is referred to the Secretary of State for Education.

https://www.retoday.org.uk/uploads/RE%20Today%20Website/Consultancy%20documents/Syllabus%20booklet_PAGES-compressed.pdf

The Agreed Syllabus sets out what pupils should be taught in religious education (RE) from ages 5 to 19. All maintained schools have a statutory duty to provide a broad and balanced curriculum which includes RE. Maintained schools without a religious character are required to teach RE to all registered pupils in accordance with the Locally Agreed Syllabus.

Academies and free schools are also required through the terms of their funding agreement to make provision for the teaching of RE. They can choose to use the locally agreed syllabus but are not required to do so.