

Salford Diocesan Primary Partnership

The Business Year Agenda

Attendees – Diocesan Office for Education,
Religious Education Adviser,
RC Head Teacher elected representatives

Autumn 1

Admissions – Review and guidance, procedures for consultation with diocese

Annual Conference – current arrangements, focus for the next year

Appointment Procedures - Review the procedures and the role of governors in the appointment of heads, deputy heads and other significant staff (e.g. person specification)

Buildings and Premises Advice - Review of the diocesan DFC system and resolution of any issues around DFC, LCVAP and latest DfCSF updates

Office for Education - Future Developments

Monitoring visits to Schools - Review of the focus and agenda

Schools Items – current issues from Diocesan schools

Autumn 2

Annual Fund Raising – arrangements for diocesan schools fund raising day

RE Inspection Support – Review of protocol, training and pre-inspection support

RE Curriculum Development - Review of curriculum and assessment procedures

Teacher Recruitment - Review current provision and ways to improve/ include heads in the process

Vision for Schools – future direction of Catholic schools, role of Head Teachers and Office for Education

Guest Speaker – Vision and Future Development of Schools

Schools Items – current issues from Diocesan schools

Spring 1

Annual Schools Mass – Planning and arrangements

Office for Education – review of services to schools

Succession Planning - Update on current programmes, input into the content of succession programmes and ways of identifying new leaders

Individual Professional support - Reflect and update the INSET for all relevant staff in schools and the nature and protocol for newly appointed and established head teachers.

Website & Communication Systems - Review current procedures and information

Provision/Services for Schools – Review of Services for school – GUEST SPEAKER

Schools Items – current issues from Diocesan schools

Spring 2

Primary Leadership Programme – review and feedback for head teachers

Review the methods and procedures of the Primary Partnership - its links to heads and the Office for Education

RE Curriculum Development - Review of curriculum and assessment procedures

Schools and Parishes – Future provision, relationships between head teachers and priests

Schools Items – current issues from Diocesan schools

Summer 1

Helpline - Review of how it has worked over the current year and ways in which it can be improved

Governor Training (foundation Governors) - Review the nature, timing and content the training for governors – particularly 'Catholic' themes. Review and issues around the appointment of foundation governors and their support for schools

Conferences and CPD - Focus and input on future requirements for head teachers and schools

Legal Assistance - Changes in the law and the role of Catholic Schools – Commentaries required by heads – Office for Education support

Management courses – Reviewed focus for heads and senior staff

Schools Items – current issues from Diocesan schools