Note of SPHE Post-Primary Development Group online meeting, Nov 2021

Agenda item		Decision/Action
 Housekeeping, governance, minutes and matters arising 	The minutes of the meeting held in Sept were approved, the agenda was agreed and no conflicts of interest were declared. Matters arising: The scope of the recent consultation and plans to extend participation of parents and students when the consultation on the updated specification opens in Sept 2022 was explained.	
2. Review aim, rationale and course outline	 A second draft of the aim and rationale were discussed in some detail. Overall, the group agreed that the revised draft is improved and incorporates all the important messages. Some further points were raised in relation to: Ensuring that there is a balance between self and others (avoid an over individualistic approach) Including reference to family as an influence on young people Include reference to adolescence as a time when young people are finding their identities Use creative design to highlight important content Course overview Group agreed that this provides a useful and clear description of what's in each strand. Suggestions for rewording the strand descriptions were noted. 	The suggestions will be incorporated into the next draft of the specification for consideration at December Dev Group meeting
3. Report on consultation findings so far	An overview of the key messages which have come through the consultation were presented. There was significant agreement across teacher and student voices on the topics that need to be addressed in an updated short course as well as strong endorsement for the direction of change set out in the brief for the Dev Group.	
 Considerations when developing learning outcomes 	There was a short presentation and some discussion on key considerations that need to be kept in mind as the Development Group works on updating the Learning Outcomes.	
5. Updating Relationships and Sexuality LOs	The group carefully considered the draft learning outcomes for the Relationships and Sexuality strand and participated in very constructive and engaged discussion, offering many suggestions	Careful consideration will be given to all the suggestions and these will be incorporated in an updated set of LOs for review at December meeting.
Dates for next meeting	Friday December 17 th	

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