

Making Sense of Religion – An Agenda for RE
Easthampstead Park, June 18 2008
Summary Evaluation

Once again participants were overwhelmingly positive about the evening. Everyone who commented said the speaker was excellent and had given everyone lots to think about. As usual people were also positive about meeting and talking with people from other SACREs.

Quite a number could identify issues they felt should be discussed further by their SACREs eg:

- The effectiveness of the RE syllabus – what questions to ask in order to find out and how to support schools as necessary
- How to engage with community cohesion
- Methodology in RE

There was also a very positive response to the idea of continuing with the joint SACREs conference next year.

Suggested areas of focus for future conferences included:

- Philosophy for children as a methodology
- How thinking skills can be embedded in RE
- Give Mustafa Chaudhary an opportunity to talk about his work with Reading Muslims against Extremism
- Community Cohesion
- Examples of good RE practice – maybe presentations from teachers
- Explore the idea of a youth SACRE
- Update on national initiatives and thinking in RE