



Ensuring access to the full curriculum

A summary of proposals for children and young people

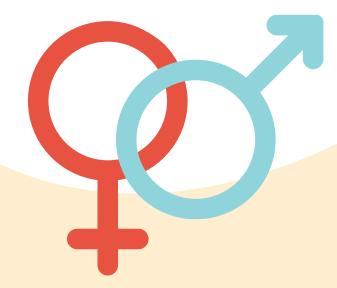


Summary of proposals

The Welsh Government wants to know what you think about the idea to change parents'/carers' right to withdraw their children from Religious Education (RE) and Relationships and Sexuality Education (RSE) in the new curriculum. Here is a short outline of what this means. We would be grateful if you could take a bit of time to answer the questions.

How learners can be sure to learn all the subjects they need. What do we want to change?

- There is going to be a new way of teaching (curriculum) in Wales. It is being designed by teachers in Wales.
- Everything we include in teaching is important and all the parts are needed so that learners leave school knowing what they need to know.
- The way you are taught now, parents/carers can stop their child from going to Religious Education (RE) and sex education lessons. In future sex education will be replaced by Relationships and Sexuality Education (RSE) and all children aged 3–16 will need to attend.
- We think parents/carers should not be able to stop their children going to these lessons in future.



- This is because RE and RSE are very important in keeping children safe and helping them understand the world around them.
- We understand that people may worry about this change.
- In these lessons information must be suitable for the child's age, their development and their background.
- We want to know what you think will happen if all learners have to go to RE and RSE lessons in the new curriculum.
- We also want to know what you think about extending the age range for RE and RSE education to 3–16.
- We are also asking for views on whether Religious Education is still the best name for this subject.
- You can find out more and send your views to the Government by completing this form.

This is a summary of our proposals

For the full details, please see the consultation document on the Welsh Government's website

We do **not need** you to share with us any information that will identify you in your response.

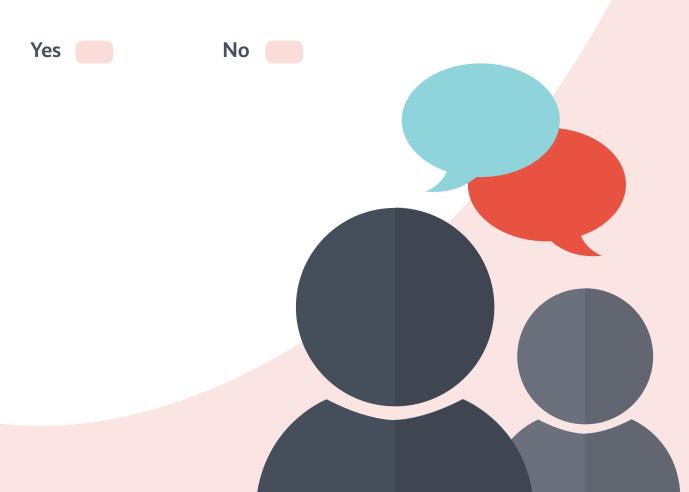
However, to make sure we have reached a wide range of ages from the whole of Wales, it would help us if you could answer the following questions.

How old are you?

Please choose which age group you are in from the list below:

10 years old and under	
11–13 years old	
14-16 years old	
17–19 years old	
20 years old and over	

Are you responding on behalf of an organisation such as a youth group, school council or youth parliament?



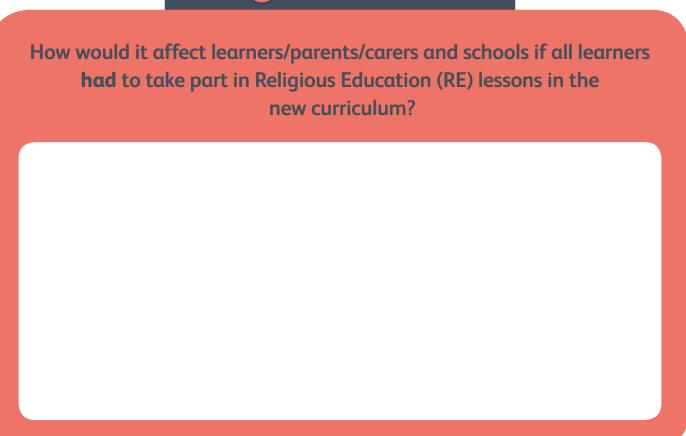
Ensuring access to the full curriculum consultation questions

Please tick the box that shows who you are.

Child or young person	
Parent/carer	
School, teacher, governor	
Other education practitioner	
Organisation or representative body	
Individual	
Other – please specify	

? Question 1

How would it affect learners/parents/carers and schools if all learners had to take part in Relationships and Sexuality Education (RSE) lessons in the new curriculum?



? Question 3

What information, help and support would be needed to make these changes work?

Our plan is that parents/carers of children in Year 7 and under should not be able to stop their child having RE or RSE lessons from September 2022.

Do you think this rule should apply to parents/carers of children in Year 8 and above from September 2022 as well?

Yes	No	Not sure	

Why do you think that?

? Question 5

What is a good name for 'Religious Education' to show the changes in the new way of teaching (curriculum)?

No change Religion, Values,	Religion and Worldviews
and Ethics	Other
Reasons for your choice	



Would these changes impact on:

i) opportunities for people to use Welsh?

Yes	No	Not sure	
Why do you thi	nk that?		
ii) treating the W	elsh language equ	ally to the English language	?
Yes	No	Not sure	
Why do you thin	nk that?		

Are there any changes we can make to the plan to:
i) increase the chances for people to use the Welsh language

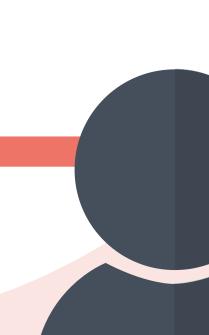
Yes No Not sure
What changes are needed?

ii) to make sure that the Welsh language is treated the same as the English language?

Yes No Not sure

What changes are needed?

Do you have any other ideas or questions about RSE and RE you want to add? Please use this space to write them down:



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