

Note of SPHE post-primary DG online meeting, June 2021

Agenda item		Decision/Action
1. House keeping governance minutes and matters arising	<p>The minutes of the meeting held on May 12th were approved, the agenda was agreed and no conflicts of interest were declared.</p> <p>Matters arising: The need to consider implementation and supports needed for an updated curriculum was raised. There is agreement amongst the group that this merits attention and is being pursued through separate structures and meetings.</p>	
2. Interim Guidance Toolkit – draft materials	<p>The following sample draft materials were discussed by the group and feedback noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communicating with parents • Working with outside facilitators 	Take on board feedback and revise and prepare these two documents for publication on the toolkit.
3. Background Paper and Brief for the redevelopment of junior cycle SPHE	<p>Following a presentation on key messages within the paper, the group broke into break-out rooms to share comments or observations.</p> <p>Key points raised included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Importance of clear learning outcomes and careful attention to wording to ensure clarity in an updated junior cycle short course • Glossary – would be very helpful • Graphic depiction of the learning outcomes could help show the integrated nature of the learning • Classroom Based Assessment (CBA) – important to keep it manageable <p>Wider implementation issues – time allocation, teacher supports, class size were also raised.</p> <p>Brief as set out in the Background Paper was agreed as appropriate and helpful in guiding our work.</p>	The Background Paper and Brief for the redevelopment of junior cycle SPHE will be presented to Council in June and then go out for public consultation
AOB	None	
Date of next meeting	Monday September 20 th	