Appendix 4

Parental Consultation regarding RSHE at Huxlow Academy

'Good quality PSHE does not mean an increase in promiscuity, in fact the opposite – it does in fact result in less reckless sexual behaviour'. DFE

Parents were sent a letter to invite them to consult on the new RSHE curriculum at Huxlow. We consulted through a number of 'Teams' meetings with parents and completed a 'Forms' survey highlighting potential issues and concerns. Parents were all sent a letter explaining the process and a link to a presentation with audio explanation of the changes and some of the detail and rationale for the new curriculum as well as the statutory requirements and their rights as parents to withdraw. The response was overwhelmingly positive, with one negative concern over the teaching of LGBTQ+ relationships.

'We would like detailed plans with how teachers are going to engage with the students about the RSHE curriculum topics because there is a fine line between promoting practices such as homosexual behaviour and just knowing that it exists.'

'Very comprehensive curriculum, I fully support this.'

'Presentation gave me all the information.'

'All very clear and we appreciate how well you communicate with parents. '

'I am pleased that the college is delivering this content. It might be helpful if some supportive information could be shared or made available to parents so we can engage our children further together in some of the topics'

The consultation allowed for the first point to be discussed and myths and misconceptions were dispelled. Parents were pleased that we are not promoting any type of relationship but more a promotion of kindness, fairness, empathy and understanding of difference