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Tory plan to use Chris Woodhead to review national curriculum

Commenting on Conservative Party plans to ask former Chief Inspector of Schools Chris Woodhead to carry out a review of the National Curriculum, Steve Sinnott, General Secretary of the National Union of Teachers, said:

“Putting Chris Woodhead in charge of reviewing the National Curriculum would be like putting Judge Jeffries in charge of penal reform.

“The NUT has argued consistently for a slimming down of the National Curriculum but we need a 21st century National Curriculum which takes into account global developments not one from the 19th century

“Chris Woodhead was responsible for reviewing the National Curriculum last time so he is hardly in a position to complain about curriculum overload and political correctness.

“He has no credibility with the teaching profession and any review must be carried out by someone who commands teachers’ respect.”

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