
NOTICE OF MEETING

STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (SACRE)

WEDNESDAY, 8 NOVEMBER 2017 AT 4.30 PM

CONFERENCE ROOM A, 2ND FLOOR, PORTSMOUTH CIVIC OFFICES

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Membership

Councillor Ryan Brent (Chair)

Councillor Suzy Horton (Vice-Chair)

Group A - Christian denominations and other religions and their denominations reflecting the principal religious traditions of the area

Group B - Representatives of the Church of England

Group C - Teacher representatives

Group D - Representatives of the Local Authority

(Full Membership is located on Portsmouth City Council's website)

(NB This Agenda should be retained for future reference with the minutes of this meeting.)

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A G E N D A

1 Welcome and Introductions

To welcome new members and introduce other members of the Council.

2 Moment for Quiet Reflection

Peter Davies is invited to lead on the moment for quiet reflection.

3 Apologies for Absence

To receive any apologies for absence.

4 Declaration of Members' Interest

Members are asked to identify any pecuniary, prejudicial or personal interests on any matters on the agenda.

Note: Should any indication of an interest arise during the meeting, members are asked to declare at that time, as soon as is practicable.

5 Minutes of the Previous meeting held on 13 July 2017 (Pages 5 - 10)

It is recommended the Council agrees the minutes of the previous meeting held 13 July 2017 as a correct record.

6 Matters Arising from the minutes

Members are invited to raise any matters from the minutes that are not otherwise identified on the agenda.

7 Brief updates or notification of items to be brought to a future meeting

To receive any updates from Members of SACRE.

Note: Items requiring decision will need to be brought to a future meeting.

8 Monitoring Group Report (Pages 11 - 14)

To note the report from the meeting held 26th October 2017.

It is recommended that SACRE Notes the findings of the monitoring group meeting.

9 Update regarding the implementation of the Agreed Syllabus

To receive a verbal report from Patricia Hannam (SACRE's Professional Adviser) updating SACRE on the implementation of the Agreed Syllabus.

10 Report on the interim report of the Commission on RE (Pages 15 - 34)

To receive a report from Patricia Hannam (SACRE's Professional Adviser) on the interim report of The Commission on RE (CoRE) and verbally on other national matters including REC meeting on 1st November.

SACRE are asked to read the Executive Summary of the Interim Report: <http://www.commissiononre.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/09/Executive-Summary-FINAL.pdf> and to note the areas for consultation .

Responses to the interim report, through an on line consultation can be made here: <http://www.commissiononre.org.uk/consultation-interim-report/>

Recommended that

(1) The report from the Professional Adviser is noted and;

- (2) The interim report of the Commission on RE recommendations is noted and SACRE members encouraged to respond to the consultation before 09.00 on 4th December**

11 Annual Report 2016/2017

To receive the draft SACRE Annual Report for 2016/17 (to follow).

Recommended that

- (1) Delegated authority be given to the professional adviser to amend accordingly from member feedback and in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair finalise the Annual Report 2016/17 and;**
- (2) The final Annual Report be sent to agreed bodies by 1st January 2018**

12 Date and venue of the next meeting

The next scheduled meeting is 14 March 2018, starting at 4:30pm.

SACRE members are asked to suggest or volunteer a venue for this meeting, returning to the previously established of hosting at least one meeting a year at a faith venue, a school and the Civic Offices.

Recommended that the date and venue of the next meeting be noted.

Member Involvement and Information

Conferences & meetings

- Joint Conference. The RE Commission: The Interim Report Joint NASACRE & AREIAC conference on 24 November 2017 in Birmingham
- NASACRE Silver Jubilee Conference and AGM on 24th May 2018 in London.
- South Central SACRE hub meeting dates (Elizabeth Jenkerson is Portsmouth's representative).
13 November 2017; 7 March 2018 and 12 June 2018

NASACRE membership

Members should note the changes to the login and password details to enable access the NASACRE website.

SACRE members' involvement

Through HIAS, a number of school visits are being planned, as part of our on-going monitoring role, members are asked to express their interest to accompany the professional adviser on these visits.

Seasonal information

Carol Services (at Portsmouth Cathedral) 21st, 22nd and 23rd December all at 7pm.

Christmas lights switch-on

Southsea precinct 10 November, Commercial Road 16 November, Cosham 22 November. Festivities start from 4pm with the lights on at approx. 6pm

Armistice Day 11 November - from 10:55am at the Portsmouth Cenotaph
Remembrance Sunday 12 November from 10:30am at the Portsmouth Cenotaph

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31 October 2017