



NOTICE OF MEETING

STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (SACRE)

WEDNESDAY, 14 NOVEMBER 2018 AT 4.30 PM

HIGHBURY PRIMARY SCHOOL, HIGHBURY GROVE, COSHAM, PORTSMOUTH PO6 2RZ

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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 located on Portsmouth City Council Website)

https://democracy.portsmouth.gov.uk/mgCommitteeDetails.aspx?ID=174

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

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<u>AGENDA</u>

- 1 Welcome and Introductions
- 2 Apologies for Absence
- 3 Moment for Quiet Reflection
- 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 27 June 2018 (Pages 5 - 10)

RECOMMENDED the SACRE agrees the minutes of the previous meeting held 27th June 2018 as a correct record.

6 Matters Arising from the minutes of 27 June 2018

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

7 Membership Update

In anticipation of a resignation from the council a new school representative has been invited to attend, to be appointed by the SACRE - Aasha Small from Medina School.

8 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.

9 Monitoring Group Report (Pages 11 - 12)

To note the report from the meeting held 8th October 2018.

RECOMMENDED that SACRE receives the report and notes the findings of the monitoring group meeting.

10 Constitution revision (Pages 13 - 18)

The Portsmouth SACRE constitution, as attached, has some changes regarding to how membership is specified and appointed.

RECOMMENDED that the amendments to the Portsmouth SACRE Constitution are accepted.

11 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. Including updates on attendance at networks and other training offered.

12 Final report of the Commission on RE (Pages 19 - 20)

To receive a report from Patricia Hannam (SACRE's Professional Adviser) on the final report of The Commission on RE (CoRE) and verbally on other national matters including REC meeting on 7th November 2018.

SACRE are asked to read the Executive Summary of the Final Report which can be read at : https://www.commissiononre.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/Final-Report-Exec-Summary-of-the-Commission-on-Re.pdf

RECOMMENDED that

- (1) The report from the Professional Adviser is noted and;
- (2) The Final report of the Commission on RE recommendations are noted.

13 Annual report 2017/18

To receive the draft Portsmouth SACRE Annual Report 2017/18 - the Professional Adviser's report is **to follow.**

RECOMMENDED that the Portsmouth SACRE Annual Report is noted and sent to agreed bodies.

14 Guidance Document for Schools - draft for discussion (Pages 21 - 42)

Justine Ball had produced the attached draft guidance document for schools in Portsmouth "Advice to schools on issues that may arise in the teaching of Religious Education, Collective Worship or queries to do with religions and beliefs". Justine has met with a sub group of SACRE members and received advice from Portsmouth EMAS to bring together this draft **document for discussion** at the SACRE meeting.

15 Date and venue of the next meeting

The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday 12th March 2019, 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.

An offer to host at a faith venue would be welcomed.

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

NB.Members of the public are now permitted to use both audio visual recording devices and social media during this meeting, on the understanding that it neither disrupts the meeting or records those stating explicitly that they do not wish to be recorded