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# NOTICE OF MEETING

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**STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (SACRE)**

**WEDNESDAY, 18 MARCH 2020**

**TIME: 5.00 PM (OR AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE AGREED SYLLABUS CONFERENCE, WHICHEVER IS THE EARLIER)**

**THE EXECUTIVE MEETING ROOM - THIRD FLOOR, THE GUILDHALL**

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## **Membership**

Councillor Suzy Horton (Chair)  
Reverend Sam Duddles (Vice-Chair)

Councillor Tom Coles  
Maria Cole  
Taki Jaffer  
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Sheikh Fazle Abbas Datoo  
Syed Aminul Haque  
Elizabeth Jenkerson  
Christine McMillan  
Geoff Wheeler  
John Mills  
Pastor Chris Thomas  
Akshat Metha

Sue Bowen  
Jane Kelly  
Sandra Gibb  
Helen Reeder  
Kari Laing  
Aasha Small  
Debbie Lucas  
Gemma Self  
Paula Withers  
Ali Beechurst  
Ryan Brent

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## **AGENDA**

### **1 Welcome and Introductions**

**2 Apologies for Absence**

**3 Moment for Quiet Reflection**

**4 Declaration of Members' Interests**

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

Note: should any interest arise during the meeting, members are asked to declare at that time.

**5 Minutes of the Previous meeting held on 20 November 2019 (Pages 5 - 10)**

**RECOMMENDED that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 20 November 2019 be agreed as a correct record.**

**6 Matters Arising from the minutes of 20 November 2019**

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

**7 Membership Update**

To note the resignations of Revd Jane Ball (Group B) and Marilyn Leggett (Group A).

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

To receive any brief 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)**

Patricia Hannam, Professional Adviser to the SACRE, to present the report of the monitoring sub group held on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2020.

**RECOMMENDED that SACRE notes the findings of the monitoring group meeting.**

**10 Determinations Policy (Pages 13 - 16)**

To receive a report from Patricia Hannam, SACRE's Professional Adviser, presenting proposals for a Portsmouth SACRE Determinations Process. A draft policy and form are attached.

**RECOMMENDED that SACRE agree a Determinations Process.**

## **11 National and local updates on Religious Education**

To receive a report from Patricia Hannam, SACRE's Professional Adviser, on the activities of national RE bodies such as the Religious Education Council (REC) and the National Association of SACREs (NASACRE) as well as other local matters of significance not discussed elsewhere on this agenda.

A volunteer is also sought to represent Portsmouth SACRE at the NASACRE annual conference, this year on 18<sup>th</sup> May in London.

### **RECOMMENDED**

- (i) that the report by the Professional Adviser be noted.**
- (ii) that a representative attend the NASACRE annual conference on 18<sup>th</sup> May in London to represent Portsmouth SACRE.**

## **12 Date and venue of the next meeting**

It is proposed that the next scheduled meeting take place on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June at 4.30pm.

It is hoped that this be held in a place of worship, preferably one of Portsmouth's mosques.

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