



NOTICE OF MEETING

STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (SACRE)

TUESDAY, 7 JUNE 2022 AT 4.30 PM

VIRTUAL REMOTE MEETING

It was clear at the last meeting that SACRE representatives would prefer to meet in person, preferably in the community at a school or faith setting. However, without a firm commitment from a venue to host the meeting and in the light of the pressure of time and resources for many representatives, the decision has been taken to hold this meeting of the SACRE as a virtual meeting using MS Teams once again. As the Places of Worship directory is well underway, it is very much hoped that the Autumn meeting will not only be in person but also at a venue in the community.

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Membership

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

Sarah Coote, The Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)

Sheikh Fazle Abbas Dattoo, Shia Muslim

Revd Ray Goddess, The Methodist Church

Samuel Hilsenrath, Judaism

Elizabeth Jenkerson, Baha'i Faith

Christine McMillan, The United Reformed Church

Jaswant Singh-Digpa, Sikhism

Barbara Spiegelhalter, Humanism

Pastor Chris Thomas, The Evangelical Church

Geoff Wheeler, Baptist Union

Group B - Church of England

Sue Bowen

Revd Sam Duddles (Chair)

Jane Kelly

Group C - Teachers representing the various key stages and associations recognised by the Local Authority

Kari Laing, Portsmouth College (Post 16) (Vice Chair)

Debbie Lucas, Admiral Lord Nelson School (Secondary)

Rachael Osborne, St Jude's Primary School (Primary)

Helen Reeder, National Education Union

Group D - representatives of the Local Authority

Councillor Ryan Brent

Councillor Tom Coles

Taki Jaffer

Co-opted Representatives

Jessi Wilson, UnLoc and Council of Portsmouth Students (CoPS)

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

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AGENDA

1 Welcome and Introductions

2 Moment for Quiet Reflection

3 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 9 March 2022 (Pages 5 - 12)

To receive the minutes of the meeting held on 9 March 2022.

RECOMMENDED that the SACRE agree the minutes of the previous meeting held on 9 March 2022 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 Membership Update (Pages 13 - 14)

To receive a Membership update report.

RECOMMENDED that with their agreement, the SACRE appoints/ re-appoints the following to the Portsmouth SACRE:

Group A

Elizabeth Jenkerson, Baha'i Faith
Sheikh Fazle Abbas Dattoo, Shia Muslim
Christine McMillan, United Reformed Church

Group B

Sue Bowen
Revd Sam Duddles
Jane Kelly

Group C

Helen Reeder, National Education Union (Portsmouth Branch)
Rachael Osborne, St Jude's Primary School headteacher (initial appointment)

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 15 - 16)

To receive a report from the meeting of the SACRE Monitoring Group.

RECOMMENDED that SACRE notes the findings of the Monitoring Group meeting held on 17 May 2022.

10 Council of Portsmouth Students (CoPS) and SACRE

To receive a verbal update from Patricia Hannam (SACRE's Professional Adviser) regarding the development of more formal links between the Council of Portsmouth Students (CoPS) and SACRE.

RECOMMENDED that the report is noted.

11 National and local updates on RE (Pages 17 - 22)

To receive a report from Patricia Hannam (SACRE's Professional Adviser) on the activities the Religious Education Council (REC) and from SACRE members who attended the National Association of SACREs (NASACRE) AGM in May 2022 (see Appendix 1), as well verbal reports from those who

were able to attend the South Central SACRE Hub meetings.

RECOMMENDED that the report is noted.

12 Date and venue of the next meeting

The meetings during the 2022/23 academic year will take place on the following dates.

2 November 2022

28 March 2023

14 June 2023

RECOMMENDED that the meeting dates be noted and the venue of the next meeting be agreed.

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