



NOTICE OF MEETING

STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (SACRE)

TUESDAY, 28 MARCH 2023 AT 4.30 PM

ST JUDE'S CE PRIMARY SCHOOL, ST NICHOLAS STREET, OLD PORTSMOUTH PO1 2NZ

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Please note: There is parking on Pembroke Road that can be paid via cash or RingGo. If anyone wishing to attend the meeting has access requirements, please notify the contact named above.

Membership

<u>Group A Representatives</u> - One representative of each of the religions and other bodies listed in the constitution

Baha'i - Elizabeth Jenkerson Baptist - Geoff Wheeler Evangelical Church - Pastor Chris Thomas Humanist - Barbara Spiegelhalter Humanist - Geoff Wade (nominated reserve) Muslim - Sheikh Fazle Abbas Datoo Methodist Church – Revd Ray Goddess Jewish – Samuel Hilsenrath Quaker - sarah coote United Reformed Church - Christine McMillan

Group B Representatives - Church of England

Sue Bowen Revd Sam Duddles Jane Kelly

<u>Group C Representatives</u> - Six teachers representing the various key stages and an association recognised by the Authority for the purposes of consultation and negotiation.

Kari Laing - Post-16 Representative Rachael Osborne - Primary Headteacher Representative Rachel de la Rue - Primary RE Teacher Representative Helen Reeder - Teacher Liaison Panel Representative Beth Smith - Secondary School Representative

<u>Group D Representatives</u> - Four representatives of the Authority, at least two of whom shall be elected members of the Authority

Taki Jaffer Councillor Benedict Swann Councillor Asghar Shah Councillor Abdul Kadir

Co-opted members

Jessie Wilson - Council of Portsmouth Students representative

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

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AGENDA

Presentation

Short presentation by Victoria Nash, RE Leader, St Jude's CE Primary School on 'Making RE Engaging'

- 1 Welcome and Introductions
- 2 Moment for Quiet Reflection
- 3 Apologies for Absence
- 4 Declarations of Members' Interest
- 5 Minutes of the Previous meeting held on 2 November 2022 (Pages 5 12)

To agree the draft minutes of the meeting held on 2 November 2022.

6 Matters Arising from the minutes

To consider any matters arising from the minutes of the meeting held on 2 November 2022.

7 Monitoring Group report (Pages 13 - 18)

The purpose of this report is to inform SACRE of the findings and discussions that took place during the meeting of the SACRE monitoring sub-group on 22

February 2023.

Members shared ways to widen the membership of the group and the Terms of Reference for the monitoring group were discussed. The group received updates on professional RE education, monitoring the effectiveness of RE and an update of results from the GCSE examination series in 2022. Further updates on the 2021 census results on religion, the monitoring survey for RE and Collective Worship and the recent website monitoring activity for Local Authority schools was discussed.

RECOMMENDED:

- 1. That SACRE notes the findings of the monitoring group meeting and requests SACRE volunteers to join the Monitoring Group in the Summer term 2023.
- 2. That SACRE notes the amended Terms of Reference for the Monitoring Group and approves them (attached as Appendix A).
- 8 Membership and Training report (Pages 19 34)

Purpose: To receive a report on membership, training and associated matters.

Recommended that SACRE:

- a) Considers the establishment of a membership working group to:
 - i) Review the 2021 Census (see Appendix A) in relation to ensuring that the membership of the Portsmouth SACRE appropriately reflects the principal religious traditions or beliefs in our area.
 - ii) Consider outreach and other methods to attract new faith and education representatives to the SACRE, noting that the Council shall take all reasonable steps to ensure that the nominees are a representative of the religion, denomination or association in question.
 - iii) Report back to the SACRE on actions and progress to widen representation of the SACRE.
- c) Agrees to contact SACRE members who have not attended three consecutive meetings.
- e) Nominates a named representative to the Portsmouth Children's Safeguarding Partnership (PCSP).
- f) Seeks up to two representatives to attend the NASACRE Conference and AGM on 22 May 2023.
- g) Considers the adoption of the NASACRE Code of Conduct (or an amended version).

9 National and Local RE Matters (Pages 35 - 36)

Purpose of report: The purpose of this report is to enable SACRE to consider key national and local RE developments.

Recommendations: That SACRE notes the report.

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

11 Date and venue of the next meeting and future meeting dates

It is intended all meetings will take place at 4.30pm at a place of worship or school. If no venue is available, meetings will take place remotely on Teams.

The next meeting will take place at **4.30pm on Wednesday 14 June 2023 at Al Mahdi Centre, Fontley Road, Fareham, Hampshire PO15 6QR**

Proposed future meeting dates are:

Wednesday 1 November 2023 Wednesday 20 March 2024 Wednesday 12 June 2024 Wednesday 6 November 2024

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