



DERBY CITY COUNCIL

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Report of the Corporate Director of Corporate and Adult Social Services

Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education – SACRE – New Representatives

RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 To approve the appointment of David Ginns as the Buddhist Faith representative and Debra Perry as the Bahai Faith representative for a four year term.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 2.1 SACRE oversees Religious Education – RE - and Collective Worship. It is required by law that RE be taught in schools but RE is not part of the National Curriculum so RE is a local responsibility.
- 2.2 SACRE is designed to represent all the interests of the local community including elected members, representatives of faith communities and members of the education community.
- 2.3 The main function of SACRE is to advise the LEA on matters related to Collective Worship in community schools and some other schools and on the Religious Education given in accordance with their Agreed Syllabus. SACRE publishes a report annually of its work.
- 2.4 SACRE does not currently have a Buddhist Faith representative, David Ginns has been a practising Buddhist in Derby for over 20 years and is now a Chapter Leader.
- 2.5 Debra Perry has been nominated to replace the current Bahai Faith representative Maryam Djavid.

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Background papers: None

List of appendices: Appendix 1 – Implications

IMPLICATIONS

Financial

- 1.1 Co-opted members are entitled to travel and subsistence allowances at the same level as elected members. These costs can be met from existing resources.

Legal

- 2.1 The Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education is not a Committee of the Council. It is a separate statutory body.

Personnel

- 3.1 None.

Equalities impact

- 4.1 None.

Corporate priorities

- 5.1 None.