

Time commenced – 6.10pm
Adjourned – 7.00pm
Reconvened – 7.02pm
Time finished – 7.30pm

STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL ON RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
2 February 2023

Present:

Group A – Christianity and Other World Faiths

Judith Withers	Baptist Church
Eve Sacker	Jewish Faith
Dr Hardial Singh Dhillon	Sikh Faith
Phil Royle	Methodist Church
Ranjit Singh Seehra	Sikh Faith

Group B – Church of England

Viv Lawrence

Group C – Teachers' Associations

Wendy Hardy	NEU
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Group D – Local Education Authority

Councillor Martin

Co-opted Members

Kate McRae – substitute for S Hussain (Open Centre)

15/22 Appointment of Chairs of Groups A and B

Resolved to appoint Eve Sacker as Chair of Group A and Viv Lawrence as Chair of Group B.

16/22 Appointment of Vice Chair

Resolved to appoint Eve Sacker as Vice-chair of SACRE.

Eve Sacker took the Chair at this point.

17/22 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillor Wood, Anita Matthews, Paul Tunde Soile and Steve Ford.

18/22 Late Items to be Introduced by the Chair

There were none.

19/22 Declarations of Interest

There were none.

20/22 Minutes of the Meeting Held on 21 June 2022 and Matters Arising

The minutes of the meeting held on 21 June 2022 were agreed as an accurate record.

A SACRE member asked for clarification on minute number 09/22. Whether pupils were being appointed as counsellors to work with other children. It was agreed that the Lead Officer to SACRE would be asked to provide a response to this.

21/22 Supporting schools with Collective worship: a proposal from RE Today Services

The Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education discussed a report from the Lead Officer to SACRE on Supporting schools with Collective worship: a proposal from RE Today Services.

The Jewish Faith representative raised concerns that the SACRE was outsourcing to RE Today. It was agreed that the Lead Officer to SACRE would be asked for information on how RE Today worked with the SACRE. It was also agreed that a representative from RE Today would be invited to attend a future SACRE meeting.

Resolved:

- 1. to discuss this further at the next SACRE meeting.**
- 2. that a representative from RE Today would be invited to attend a future SACRE meeting.**

22/22 Derbyshire and Derby City SACRE Report 2022

The Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education discussed a report from the Lead Officer to SACRE on Derbyshire and Derby City SACRE Report 2022.

A Sikh Faith representative raised concerns that Sikhism was not being

studied in any of the case studies in the report. It was noted that at primary school level, Children in Derby were not required to study Sikhism. It was noted that the syllabus did not suggest studying Sikhism but that schools were allowed to study Sikhism if they chose to.

It was agreed that the SACRE would remind local primary schools that they were welcome to study Sikhism. It was agreed that contact information for the Open Centre would also be included.

It was agreed that SACRE would work to ensure that Sikhism received better representation in the next RE syllabus for Derby schools.

Resolved to agree that the SACRE would remind local primary schools that they were welcome to study Sikhism. It was agreed that contact information for the Open Centre would also be included.

23/22 Possible RE Today training for Derby City and Derbyshire schools

The Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education discussed a report from the Lead Officer to SACRE on Possible RE Today training for Derby City and Derbyshire schools.

Resolved to defer this item.

24/22 Primary subject information Religious Education: 2022-2023

The Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education discussed a report from the Lead Officer to SACRE on Primary subject information Religious Education: 2022-2023.

It was agreed that NASACRE and the individuals carrying out the curriculum review should be invited to attend a future SACRE meeting.

It was noted that the SACRE clerk and the Lead Officer to SACRE would discuss whether a budget was available for SACRE.

Resolved:

- 1. to note the report.**
- 2. that NASACRE and the individuals carrying out the curriculum review should be invited to attend a future SACRE meeting.**

25/22 RE guidance for advisors

Resolved to defer this item.

26/22 Report on SACRE development day

Resolved to defer this item.

27/22 RE Connect: RE and Climate Crisis Teacher
Fellowship Programme

Resolved to defer this item.

MINUTES END