

Time commenced – 6.12pm

Time finished – 7.08pm

**STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL ON RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
28 March 2023**

Present:

Group A – Christianity and Other World Faiths

Paul Tunde Soile	Afro-Caribbean Council of Churches
Eve Sacker	Jewish 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 Wood
Councillor Lonsdale (Chair)

Co-opted Members

Officers

Steve Ford – Lead Officer to SACRE

28/22 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillor Kus, Chelle Byrne, Zoe Higgins, Kate McRae, Judith Willers, Anita Matthews and Hardial Dhillon.

29/22 Late Items to be Introduced by the Chair

There were none.

30/22 Declarations of Interest

There were none.

31/22 Minutes of the Meeting Held on 2 February

2023

The minutes of the meeting held on 2 February 2023 were agreed as an accurate record.

32/22 SACRE Membership, Resignations and Vacancies

It was reported that nominations for a four-year term has been received from the nominating body for the following members:

Group C (Teachers' Associations)

Cheryl Fearn (NASUWT)

Group B (Church of England)

Liz Seymour

The Clerk reported that the following SACRE Member had chosen to resign since the last SACRE meeting:

Group C (Teachers' Associations)

Ian Birkin (NASUWT)

The Clerk to SACRE reported that the following positions were currently vacant:

Group A (Christianity and Other World Faiths)

Bahai Faith

Buddhist Faith

Salvation Army

Serbian Orthodox Church

Group C (Teachers' Associations)

National Association of Head Teachers (NAHT)

Association of School and College Leaders (ASCL)

The Clerk to SACRE reported that nominations for these positions were being sought.

Resolved:

- 1. to approve the nominations of Cheryl Fearn and Liz Seymour**
- 2. to note that nominations for vacancies were being sought from members of SACRE.**

33/22 Development day planning

The Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education discussed the Development Day that would be taking place in July 2023 at Derbyshire

County Council.

It was agreed that members of Derby SACRE would form a working group to discuss a development plan for SACRE.

Resolved that a working group to discuss a SACRE development plan would be formed. Membership would include: Steve Ford, Councillor Lonsdale, Phil Royle, Eve Sacker and Viv Lawrence.

34/22 Broken Instruments - Musical

It was agreed that the theatre group behind Broken Instruments would be invited to attend the next SACRE meeting.

Resolved to defer this item until the next SACRE meeting.

35/22 Derby SACRE's purpose/achievements and the future direction of Derby SACRE

It was agreed that the working group that was to be set up ahead of the July Development Day would discuss the purpose/achievements and the future direction of Derby SACRE.

Resolved that the working group that was to be set up ahead of the July Development Day would discuss the purpose/achievements and the future direction of Derby SACRE.

36/22 Time of future SACRE meetings

Members of SACRE discussed moving forward the meeting time in order to make SACRE meetings more accessible.

Resolved that SACRE meetings would now begin at 4.30pm.

37/22 New guidance on the Equality Act 2010

It was reported that new guidance on the Equality Act 2010 had been published by the government. It was noted that the Lead officer to SACRE would distribute this guidance with local schools.

Resolved to defer this item until a future SACRE meeting.

38/22 How Derby SACRE can help struggling schools

SACRE discussed the sad death of Headteacher Ruth Perry and the impact that Ofsted had on schools and teachers. It was agreed that a letter would be sent from SACRE to the Secretary of State for Education expressing their disappointment with the way the Ofsted was functioning and reminding them

of their duty of care towards teachers.

Resolved that a letter would be sent to the Secretary of State for Education

MINUTES END