

Notice of Standing Advisory Committee on Religious Education



Date: Wednesday, 20 November 2024 at 4.00 pm

Venue: Merley House, Merley House Lane, Wimborne, Dorset, BH21 3AA

Membership:

Chairman:

Cllr R Burton

Vice Chairman:

V Saunders

L Ford-Horne
R Lawton
Knight
N Ford
B Joshi
S Hawksworth
Kanamia

D Kenchington
P Thomson
Kaur
J Kelly
N Coupe
Ruffle
K Barker

Jones
T Willis
Jones
Cllr M Cox
Cllr M Le Poidevin
D Pegg

All Members of the Standing Advisory Committee on Religious Education are summoned to attend this meeting to consider the items of business set out on the agenda below.

The press and public are welcome to view the live stream of this meeting at the following link:

<https://democracy.bcpCouncil.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?MIId=6271>

If you would like any further information on the items to be considered at the meeting please contact: Sinead O'Callaghan or email democratic.services@bcpCouncil.gov.uk

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE

12 November 2024

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Maintaining and promoting high standards of conduct

Declaring interests at meetings

Familiarise yourself with the Councillor Code of Conduct which can be found in Part 6 of the Council's Constitution.

Before the meeting, read the agenda and reports to see if the matters to be discussed at the meeting concern your interests



What are the principles of bias and pre-determination and how do they affect my participation in the meeting?

Bias and predetermination are common law concepts. If they affect you, your participation in the meeting may call into question the decision arrived at on the item.

Bias Test

In all the circumstances, would it lead a fair minded and informed observer to conclude that there was a real possibility or a real danger that the decision maker was biased?

Predetermination Test

At the time of making the decision, did the decision maker have a closed mind?

If a councillor appears to be biased or to have predetermined their decision, they must NOT participate in the meeting.

For more information or advice please contact the Monitoring Officer
(janie.berry@bcpcouncil.gov.uk)

Selflessness

Councillors should act solely in terms of the public interest

Integrity

Councillors must avoid placing themselves under any obligation to people or organisations that might try inappropriately to influence them in their work. They should not act or take decisions in order to gain financial or other material benefits for themselves, their family, or their friends. They must declare and resolve any interests and relationships

Objectivity

Councillors must act and take decisions impartially, fairly and on merit, using the best evidence and without discrimination or bias

Accountability

Councillors are accountable to the public for their decisions and actions and must submit themselves to the scrutiny necessary to ensure this

Openness

Councillors should act and take decisions in an open and transparent manner. Information should not be withheld from the public unless there are clear and lawful reasons for so doing

Honesty & Integrity

Councillors should act with honesty and integrity and should not place themselves in situations where their honesty and integrity may be questioned

Leadership

Councillors should exhibit these principles in their own behaviour. They should actively promote and robustly support the principles and be willing to challenge poor behaviour wherever it occurs

AGENDA

Items to be considered while the meeting is open to the public

1.	Apologies	
	To receive any apologies for absence from members of the Committee.	
2.	Welcome and introductions	Verbal Report
3.	Opening reflection (LFH)	Verbal Report
4.	Confirmation of minutes	Verbal Report
5.	Conference review and thanks	Verbal Report
6.	Holocaust Memorial Day, Interfaith Week update and Jewish Living Online	Verbal Report
7.	NASACRE Call For Evidence	Verbal Report
8.	Action plan and RE advisor update	5 - 6
9.	Hub report.	Verbal Report
10.	Commissioning arrangements	Verbal Report
11.	AOB to be notified to Chair before the meeting	Verbal Report
12.	Dates of next meetings	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 12 March 2025• 2 July 2025• 12 November 2025	

No other items of business can be considered unless the Chairman decides the matter is urgent for reasons that must be specified and recorded in the Minutes.

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BCP SACRE action plan – updated March 2024.

Aim	Actions	Timescales	People Responsible	Cost	Summer 2024	Autumn 2024	Winter/Spring 2025
A. CORE BUSINESS To be a supportive and proactive SACRE enjoying full and well-informed membership	1. Fill membership vacancies	Ongoing	SACRE Chair SACRE Clerk		BCP SACRE is representative of the BCP area. However, this needs to be constantly monitored		
	2. SACRE members attend termly SACRE meetings (3 per year) and, when possible, teacher meetings and training events	Termly SACRE meetings: Summer 2024 Autumn 2024 Spring 2025	SACRE Chair/SACRE Adviser SACRE members SACRE Clerk	SACRE Adviser to prepare and attend x3 SACRE meetings a year SACRE Clerk to administer each meeting LA officers/ Adviser time	Weds 19 th June 4.15pm	Weds 13 th November 2024	Weds 12 th March 4.15pm
	3. Produce annual SACRE Report	Autumn Term 2024	SACRE Adviser and clerk with foreword by SACRE Chair	SACRE Adviser x1 day (includes draft and revisions)		Draft to be written	Completed brought to SACRE - Send to NASACRE by Feb 2025
	4. Review the action plan at each meeting and discuss updates	At each SACRE meeting	SACRE Adviser and SACRE	SACRE Adviser time	At each SACRE meeting	At each SACRE meeting	At each SACRE meeting
	5. Subscribe to NASACRE Representation at annual NASACRE conference & AGM - Attend other relevant and useful events	Ongoing	SACRE clerk SACRE Adviser & G Pinder Adviser to find out and inform	Subscription £105 <i>SW SACRE conference fee and advisor time?</i> <i>NASACRE Conference & AGM</i> - SACRE Adviser time to attend NASACRE conference?	NASACRE AGM 2024 York (virtual and face to face) DR attending online	Subscription due £105	SW SACRE conference March 2025 <i>DR to attend feedback to SACRE</i> <i>Strictly RE – Jan 2025?</i>
	6. Review the Locally agreed syllabus and the 5-year cycle	syllabus launched Jan 2023	SACRE	Extra funding allocated for the process	Update at each SACRE meeting	Update at each SACRE meeting	Update at each SACRE meeting
	7. Monitor and advise on Collective Worship	ongoing	SACRE	Dependant on the support offered	At each SACRE meeting	At each SACRE meeting	At each SACRE meeting
B. <i>To support teachers of RE to continually improve RE learning in their schools.</i>	1. Collate and distribute a termly newsletter	Termly	SACRE Adviser – SACRE members to offer suggestions	Adviser time	April 2024	Sept 2024	Jan 2025
	2. <i>Provide a RE teachers and leaders conference</i>	<i>TBD</i>	<i>SACRE in house (Adviser time)</i>	<i>Possible Adviser time - Speaker costs - Venue hire etc.</i>	<i>Nov 20th 2024</i>		
	3. Connect with RE leaders through networks	Ongoing	SACRE teacher reps with support (Hub leads)	T. Willis/S Jones (NC co-ordinating) DR supporting	Hub networks to take priority – BCP teachers not invited to DR networks as agreed		

	4. To support regional RE conferences and engage in other RE CPD opportunities	Ongoing – particular focus on the ‘Rejuvenating RE’ conference in March	SACRE members and adviser				March 2025 – virtual RE conference
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Italicised points are up for consideration

DR June 2024