

**HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL****Report**

<b>Committee/Panel:</b>	SACRE
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**1. Summary**

- 1.1. The purpose of this paper is to inform SACRE of the proposal to establish a group of young people to discuss current issues in relation to RE and to provide opportunities for them to inform SACRE of their concerns.

**2. Contextual information**

- 2.1. This paper supports the Corporate Strategy (maximising well being) by ensuring children's provision in religious education is secure.

**3. Other key issues**

- 3.1 A meeting for young people has been scheduled for Friday 22 June in the Wellington Room with a view to bringing together an initial consultation group. Currently 5 schools are sending students and another 2 schools have expressed interest. There will be between 15 and 20 students participating at the initial meeting. The outcome of the first meeting will be to raise some questions for all participants to consider in advance of a second meeting. This may be perhaps some research in their schools or other things which facilitate further reflection on the work of religious education in the county from a young person's perspective. This research will be brought back to the second meeting and considered. By the end of the second meeting a decision will be made with regard to continuing the Youth Voice group. If the decision is to continue, processes and procedures for membership and running of the meetings should be determined.
- 3.2. Representative involvement of young people from faiths will be sought with a view to developing a more formalised framework for the Youth Voice group.

3.3 Initial costs to county for this will be minimal. It will be the responsibility of the school to fund and risk assess the initial two meetings. The county have been asked to offer the rooms and provide refreshments.

**4. Recommendation**

4.1. That SACRE notes the report.

**Integral Appendix A**

**CORPORATE OR LEGAL INFORMATION:**

**Links to the Corporate Strategy**

<b>Hampshire safer and more secure for all:</b>	no
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	
<b>Maximising well-being:</b>	yes
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	
<b>Enhancing our quality of place:</b>	no
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	

<b>Section 100 D - Local Government Act 1972 - background documents</b>	
<p><b>The following documents discuss facts or matters on which this report, or an important part of it, is based and have been relied upon to a material extent in the preparation of this report. (NB: the list excludes published works and any documents which disclose exempt or confidential information as defined in the Act.)</b></p>	
<u>Document</u>	<u>Location</u>
None	

## IMPACT ASSESSMENTS

### 1. Equalities Impact Assessment:

1.1. *Youth Voice enables students to consider and discuss issues to do with inclusion of all pupils and discussions to promote positive attitudes towards equality.*

### 2. Impact on Crime and Disorder:

2.1. *Youth Voice enables students to consider and discuss issues to do with moral and ethical issues.*

### 3. Climate Change:

a) How does what is being proposed impact on our carbon footprint / energy consumption?

*Youth Voice enables students to consider and discuss issues to do with stewardship and their personal impact on the world's resources.*

b) How does what is being proposed consider the need to adapt to climate change, and be resilient to its longer term impacts?

*As above*