

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Report

Committee/Panel:	SACRE
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Title:	SACRE Youth Voice
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1. Summary

1.1. The purpose of this paper is to inform SACRE of the meeting that took place on 8 March 2013.

2. Contextual information

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

2.2. The purpose of the SACRE Youth Voice is, in line with the intention of the Agreed Syllabus itself, to create a forum for young people to have an opportunity to express their views on RE in relation to the provision for RE they are experiencing. Further, their experiences can be used to inform future reviews of the County Agreed Syllabus.

3. Other key points

3.1. Councillor Anna McNair Scott, Chairman of the SACRE and Councillor Roz Chadd, Vice-Chairman, together with Mohammed Ansar and Elizabeth Jenkerson have continued with Patricia Hannam over the past year, to support these meetings.

3.2. The established group of year 10 students were joined in the March meeting by a group of year 9 students with the intention of ensuring continuity and commitment on into 2013/14 academic year.

3.3. At their meeting in March, the Youth Voice group discussed the key issues for consideration, including more visits and visitors, philosophical enquiry and enabling students with faith perspectives in their schools to be heard. Further students began to develop a structure for taking more responsibility for the group.

3.4. A fuller report will be made to the autumn SACRE meeting.

4. Recommendation

4.1. That SACRE notes the report.

CORPORATE OR LEGAL INFORMATION:

Links to the Corporate Strategy

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

Section 100 D - Local Government Act 1972 - background documents

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.)

Document

Location

None

IMPACT ASSESSMENTS:

1. Equalities Impact Assessment:

1.1. SACRE has the intention to positively impact equality in terms of access to quality Religious education for all children and young people in Hampshire to ensure high achievement for all in Religious Education no matter where they go to school.

2. Impact on Crime and Disorder:

2.1. No impact on crime and disorder as a result of this report has been identified.

3. Climate Change:

3.1. How what does is being proposed impact on our carbon footprint / energy consumption?

No significant impact on climate change as a result of this report has been identified, although awareness of different religious traditions' sense of the sanctity of life may raise children and young people's awareness of carbon footprint / energy consumption, and facilitate more responsible action.

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

No necessity for consideration of the need to adapt to climate change, and be resilient to its longer term impacts as a result of this report has been identified.