

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Report

Committee/Panel:	SACRE
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1. Summary

1.1. The purpose of this report is to inform SACRE of activity of the time limited SACRE SMSC group.

2. Contextual information

2.1. As per minute 105 in matters arising from the meeting on 17 November 2015, a time-limited group of interested SACRE members has met twice. This was in order to consider issues relating to the place of religion in public life and in particular how this relates to the work of the Hampshire SACRE.

2.2. Attendees at these meetings were

Councillor Roz Chadd	Heather Thorpe-Tracey
Elizabeth Jenkerson	Mohammed Ansar
Chris Hughes	Howard Wright
Richard Wharton	Alasdair Richardson
Michael Zeffert	Pat Hannam
Justine Ball	

3. Discussions of the SMSC Group

3.1. Five actions have been emphasised as being important in light of discussions held at the two meetings:

- (i) The Inspector/Advisers will develop further resources to raise religious literacy among teachers

- (ii) A 'survey monkey' survey to be sent to all schools to clarify the situation with regard to withdrawal from RE and Collective Worship; the findings to be reported to SACRE.
- (iii) Hampshire Youth Voice Annual Conference July 2016
- (iv) Develop the 'on-line' space for Hampshire RE. As well as developing the existing Moodle and HIAS website and Hampshire RE Facebook page to include short films of those willing to visit and speak in schools as part of a contextualisation step in a Cycle. This to include video clips of young people/6th form students of faith.
- (v) SACRE to write to all schools sharing the plan and vision of Hampshire SACRE in terms of supporting schools promote children's Spiritual Moral Social and Cultural development and thus prepare children and young people for life in modern Britain.

4. Recommendation

- That SACRE approves the report.
- That SACRE endorses the writing of letters by the SACRE Chairman to all schools sharing the plan and vision of Hampshire SACRE in terms of supporting schools promote children's Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural development.

CORPORATE OR LEGAL INFORMATION:**Links to the Corporate Strategy**

Hampshire safer and more secure for all:	yes
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	
Maximising well-being:	yes
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	
Enhancing our quality of place:	yes
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. As a consequence of establishing a regional SACRE hub, equality is advanced through the improvement of religious education in the region.

2. Impact on Crime and Disorder:

2.1. No impact on crime and disorder has been identified in this report.

3. Climate Change:

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

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

No impact on climate change has been identified in this report.