

## HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### Report

<b>Committee/Panel:</b>	SACRE
<b>Date:</b>	28 June 2016
<b>Title:</b>	South Central SACRE RE 'hub'.
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<b>Report From:</b>	<i>Director of Children's Services</i>

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#### 1. Summary

1.1. The purpose of this report is to inform SACRE of recent activity of the South Central SACRE RE 'hub' since the last SACRE meeting.

#### 2. Contextual information

2.1. This group is one of several developments around the country linked together through an initiative of the Culham St Gabriel's Trust. Several different activities are emerging in the regions to give leadership and support to RE teachers.

2.2. The South Central SACRE RE Hub steering group consists of SACRE members, teachers and others involved in RE from Hampshire, Portsmouth, Southampton, Isle of Wight, West and East Sussex, Bournemouth, Poole and Dorset. In addition to this we have representation from the Church of England Dioceses in our areas as well as the Roman Catholic Church. Representatives from Universities in our locality who are involved in Initial Teacher Education also attend.

2.3. The South Central SACRE RE hub continues to work in three broad key areas:

(i) Networking various teacher networks across the area covered by the 'hub', linking to the NATRE national RE networks and sharing good practice.

(ii) Promoting high quality continuing professional development (CPD) particularly in relation to subject knowledge for teachers across the region.

(ii) Reading and research group; a joint venture between HIAS and Winchester University raising the level of engagement with research and encouraging more research in RE across the area covered by the SACRE Hub.

### **3. Reading and Research Group**

- 3.1. The reading and research group began meeting in May 2015 and has met twice each term since then.
- 3.2. For the academic year 2016/17 the first meeting each of each term offer a subject booster seminar run by academic members of the Theology, Religious Studies and Philosophy departments. The second session each term will bring a speaker with national influence in the RE world to lead a seminar style session for teachers attending. An outline programme with dates and most up-to-date information will be circulated at the meeting. SACRE members are welcome to attend these sessions.

#### **Recommendation:**

That SACRE recommends this report.

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

<b>Hampshire safer and more secure for all:</b>	yes
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>	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.