

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Report

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1. Summary

- 1.1. The purpose of this paper is to inform SACRE of its activities for the development of RE in the county during the last academic year, 2015-16.

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. It is the duty of SACRE to provide an annual report of its activities.

3. Other key issues

- 3.1. A draft Annual Report detailing SACRE's work in 2015/16 is attached for SACRE's approval (Appendices 1 and 2) and is in a more concise format, as requested by SACRE at its meeting in November 2015. This will be forwarded to the NASACRE Annual Reports website, the Office for Standards in Education (OFSTED), Director of Children's Services, Executive Members for Education and Children's Services, and made publicly available on the Hampshire website (Hantsnet).

4. Future Direction

- 4.1. SACRE's revised three year plan 2016 – 18 is attached (Appendix 3)

5. Recommendation

- 5.1. That SACRE approves the Annual Report and its distribution as specified in 3.1 of this 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.)

DocumentLocation

None

IMPACT ASSESSMENTS:

1. Equality Duty

1.1. The County Council has a duty under Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 ('the Act') to have due regard in the exercise of its functions to the need to:

- Eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation and any other conduct prohibited under the Act;
- Advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic (age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, gender and sexual orientation) and those who do not share it;
- Foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it.

Due regard in this context involves having due regard in particular to:

- a) The need to remove or minimise disadvantages suffered by persons sharing a relevant characteristic connected to that characteristic;
- b) Take steps to meet the needs of persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic different from the needs of persons who do not share it;
- c) Encourage persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic to participate in public life or in any other activity which participation by such persons is disproportionately low.

1.2. Equalities Impact Assessment:

It is anticipated that there will be a positive impact on the increased equality of opportunity for all Hampshire children and young people in their ability to access their entitlement for RE.

It is intended that through improving the quality of RE across Hampshire there will be increased equality in terms of gender, ethnicity and disability in the attainment in RE at all key stages.

2. Impact on Crime and Disorder:

No impact on crime and disorder identified in this report.

3. Climate Change:

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

- b) 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 identified in this report.