

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Report for Information

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1) **Purpose of Report: Networking with local SACREs**

- 1.1 This report on the SACRE network meeting is to inform SACRE of the issues raised at the meeting with a particular focus on the progress of the review of the joint agreed syllabus, Living Difference.

2) **Contextual Issues:**

- 2.1 The activities support the following Hampshire County Council priorities:

“Making Hampshire safer and more secure for all” – by encouraging better and more informed relations between communities and institutions.

“Maximising well-being” – by addressing common purpose amongst communities in Hampshire and its children

3) **Summary of the meeting**

- 3.1 Southampton SACRE are working on their five year development Plan.
- 3.2 Portsmouth SACRE have organised a Jewish Way of Life Exhibition for Portsmouth schools and have invited Isle of Wight and Hampshire schools to apply for time slots to make visits. This has been advertised on the Hampshire RE Moodle site and in Hampshire's RE Primary and Secondary Newsletters which are distributed to all schools.
- 3.3 Hampshire representatives provided an update on the activities of

SACRE to date and the progress made with the **review of the agreed syllabus, Living Difference**. It was agreed that the revised agreed syllabus would need to be disseminated to schools in electronic form on a disc due to the heavy cost implications of producing hard copies for all schools. SACRE representatives from each of the SACREs on the agreed syllabus working party will meet to discuss the amendments in a June meeting in preparation for each SACRE holding its own agreed syllabus conference to ratify the revised document. Distribution to schools should be in January 2011.

- 3.4 It was agreed that with **Community Cohesion** playing such a prominent role amongst SACREs now, it is especially important for SACREs to collaborate more together. It is also important that local authorities appreciate the role SACRE has in implementing Community Cohesion so SACRE has the support that it needs to do this effectively.
- 3.5 The supporting officer for Portsmouth SACRE agreed to bring the proposed **joint SACRE pamphlet** to the next meetings. It was also agreed that there would be a collaborative effort from SACREs to get the SACRE website up and running.
- 3.6 It was agreed that the group would consider possibilities of work together for '**RE Celebration Week**' in March 2011 at the next meeting.

4) Recommendation

- i) That SACRE notes the report.

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

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