

Training Feedback

Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education (SACRE)

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Parish / Wards Affected: All

Purpose

- To invite members of the SACRE who have attended NASACRE training to report back and share their experiences and learning.

Recommendation

- That the SACRE note the training update.

1. Reasons

- 1.1 To give SACRE Members the opportunity to share training experiences and insights.

2. Detail

- 2.1 The NASACRE have recently held several free training events for members of local SACREs, to build awareness and capacity.
- 2.2 As members of the SACRE for only two months, Mr Mark Cawte and Mr Arun Bedi, were invited to attend a recruitment and training programme, funded by the Department for Children, School and Families (DCSF) and Curriculum Cohesion Unit to build SACRE capacity. The training involved two days, one focused on RE and one on collective worship. In between the training days, delegates were invited to attend a local SACRE meeting of their choice, and make an accompanied visit to a school to see an RE Lesson. Mr Mark Cawte is invited to report back on key areas of learning and experience. Mr Arun Bedi is unable to report back at this meeting as he will be attending another SACRE as part of the training programme and therefore will be invited to advise on his experience at a future meeting.
- 2.3 The second area of training was a one-day conference held on 1st February 2010 on the role of SACREs and SACRE Members. Reverend Arthur Woo and Mr MS Khan attended the conference, and are invited to report back to this meeting on the day and any areas of note for the SACRE.

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Alternative Options

- None.

Risk Management

Financial and Procurement Implications

- There are no direct financial implications associated with this report.

Legal / Human Rights Implications

- This report has no specific legal or human rights implications. The legal requirements for appointment of representatives is set out in the SACRE Constitution (appended to Item 1 on this agenda).

Links to Corporate Plans and Policies (in particular to Swindon 2010 Promises)

- The work of the SACRE contributes to the Council's aims to improve the opportunities for children and young people.

Consultees

- The Director of Finance (Section 151 Officer) and Director of Law and Democratic Services (Monitoring Officer) are consulted on all reports.
- Paddy Bradley, Director of Schools and Learning
- Gill Ilic, Principal Advisor (School Improvement)

Background Papers and Appendices

- None

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