

SACRE Self-Assessment

Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education

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Wards: All

Locality Affected: All

Parishes Affected: All

1. Purpose and Reasons

- 1.1 To ask the SACRE to consider its role as part of a self-assessment process.

2. Recommendations

The SACRE is recommended to:

- 2.1 Consider the SACRE self-assessment documentation from Ofsted and its role, and make any recommendations for changes to the way in which the SACRE operates.

3. Detail

- 3.1 At the last meeting the SACRE discussed its Development Plan covering 2012 / 2013 and it was requested that at the next meeting the SACRE carry out a self-assessment of its role.
- 3.2 A copy of the Ofsted Self-Assessment Toolkit for SACREs published in 2005 is enclosed with this agenda. The SACRE last carried out a self-assessment when this document was published in 2005. Although some of the context in which the SACRE now operates is very different, this toolkit still provides a good starting point for the SACRE to discuss its role.
- 3.3 In addition, the SACRE Advisor will use some information from the NASACE Effective SACREs resource toolkit to explore with the SACRE its role.
- 3.4 The SACRE is asked to consider any recommendations it would wish to make as to ways in which it can be more effective as a result of this self-assessment.

4. Alternative Options

- 4.1 The SACRE can choose not to carry out the Self-Assessment or may not wish to make any recommendations as a result.

5. Implications, Diversity Impact Assessment and Risk Management

Financial and Procurement Implications

- 5.1 A £5k annual budget is provided to support the SACRE's work, which includes funding for support from the SACRE Advisor. Any activities identified as a result of this report, will need to be funded from this budget.

Further information on the subject of this report can be obtained from Katy Staples, SACRE Advisor, katy.staples@bristoldiocese.org, 0117 906 0100

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Legal and Human Rights Implications

- 5.2 The report has no specific legal or human rights implications.

All Other Implications (including Staff, Sustainability, Health, Rural, Crime and Disorder)

- 5.3 No other implications have been identified.

Links to One Swindon, Strategic Objectives, Plans and Policies

- 5.4 The work of the SACRE seeks to support Theme 5 of the Community Strategy, “for Swindon to be a place where high aspirations are supported by superb education provision for all ages”.

Diversity Impact Assessment

- 5.5 A Diversity Impact Assessment has not been completed for this report, as it does not relate to a specific policy or strategy change.

Risk Management

- 5.6 There are no risk management factors which have been identified in relation to this report.

6. Consultees

- 6.1 The Board Director Finance, Revenues, Benefits and Property (Section 151 Officer) and Director of Law and Democratic Services (Monitoring Officer) are consulted in respect of all reports.

7. Background Papers

- 7.1 None

8. Appendices

- 8.1 Appendix 1 - Ofsted Guidance on SACRE Self Assessment (enclosed not attached).