

East Sussex SACRE

Notes of the meeting

Date: Thursday 15th June 2017
Venue: Priory Room C2F, County Hall
Chairman: Councillor Roy Galley
Clerk: Julie Stevens
Present: Cllr Roy Galley, Mr Peter White, Cllr Philip Daniel, Cllr Trevor Webb, Cllr Richard Stogdon, Dr Brenda Vance, Dr Norman Williamson, Mrs Rosemary Roberts, Ms Elizabeth Coleman, Ms Mandy Watson, Mrs Pamela Hartog, Mr Mike Rundle

Also present: Alistair Robertson (Humanist Observer), Lilian Weatherley (LW) (Advisor to SACRE), Julie Dougill (LA Advisor), Julie Stevens (Clerk)

Apologies: Cllr Colin Belsey, Ms Jenni Osborn, Dr Tariq Rajbee, Ms Sarah Feist, Ms Laura Cooper, Taleb Durgahee

Item	Title	Action
1	<p>Welcome & Introductions</p> <p>Cllr Galley welcomed everyone present to the meeting and introductions were made around the table. A special welcome was given to Cllr Philip Daniel. Apologies were noted by the Clerk.</p>	
2	<p>Disclosures of interest</p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p>	
3	<p>Urgent items</p> <p>There were no urgent items raised</p>	
4	<p>Minutes of the meeting 22nd February 2017 & Matters Arising</p> <p>The minutes were agreed as an accurate record of the meeting.</p>	
5	<p>Feedback from RE Conference 29th March 2017</p> <p>The conference was a success. No evaluations have been received for the conference as these are to be completed on line. Eight secondary schools attended, the remainder of attendees were from primary schools. The Understanding Christianity training went well and Day 2 of this training has been set for 12th July. This training course has been offered to all primary schools including church schools who may have missed the second part of the training.</p>	
6	<p>Launch of RE Syllabus</p> <p>6.1 The launch had taken place that morning at Deans Place. Peter White had attended and Lilian had led the session. <u>Key points</u> - Several schools do not have the syllabus discs</p>	

<p>6.2</p> <p>6.3</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Suggestion to train leaders in monitoring the teaching in their school. - Suggestion that the work being done in literacy and English be brought together with the work done in RE. LW advised that this could be covered when training new subject leaders. <p>ACTIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The revised agreed syllabus to be added onto Czone together with all other RE resources for schools to access. - An article to be circulated in the VSB when the Czone page is in place, to advise schools where to access materials for RE. - EIP co-ordinators to be encouraged to inform their groups of the RE syllabus and materials available to RE subject leaders. - Faith and Belief Guide to be sent to Elizabeth Coleman. - All RE materials to be sent to the new Councillors on SACRE. <p>Approval of the RE Syllabus The East Sussex SACRE formally approved the revised RE Syllabus, 'Continuing the Journey'. <u>Note</u> – Cllr Daniel did not join the approval as a new member to SACRE.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>JD</p> <p>Clerk</p>
<p>7</p> <p>7.1</p> <p>7.2</p> <p>7.3</p> <p>7.4</p> <p>7.5</p>	<p>Feedback on school websites</p> <p>Presentations on the results of exploring the websites for the Causeway School and Robertsbridge Community College were discussed.</p> <p>Cllr Galley is keen to continue visits to schools. Willingdon and Uplands are yet to be visited.</p> <p>Youth Conference Cllr Galley spoke about the idea of holding a youth conference to link together Islam, Christianity and Judaism and how we bridge the gaps. Cllr Galley is meeting with Atiya Gourlay (Equality & Participation Manager) on 26th June to discuss this further. Mandy Watson will look into the content of the recent West Sussex Youth Conference held in Littlehampton. It was suggested that we should meet with Youth Councils to get their input into the content of a conference.</p> <p>Academy visits Cllr Galley will possibly be visiting Beacon later in the year. Cllr Galley meeting with Fiona Wright to discuss the protocol around visits to academies.</p> <p>Primary School visits Cllr Galley suggested that the SACRE members used their local knowledge of primary schools to decide which schools need a visit from SACRE. Websites could also be checked as a starting point. LW added that the church schools are monitored by the Diocese, therefore would not need a SACRE visit. A programme for primary school visits can be set up at the next meeting.</p> <p>Celebration of success Cllr Galley suggested that it would be a good idea following school visits and the</p>	<p>Cllr G</p> <p>MW</p> <p>Cllr G</p> <p>All</p> <p>Clerk</p>

	exam results to praise those schools who are doing well. Cllr Galley to discuss content of letters to be sent to schools with Julie Dougill.	Cllr G/ JD
8	RE View	
8.1	Feedback to be added regarding the Syllabus Launch.	LW
8.2	Information re Czone and RE materials to be added.	Clerk
8.3	RE View to be circulated to all schools.	Clerk
8.4	Training dates to be sent to SACRE members once confirmed	LW/ Clerk
9	Budget update	
9.1	JD confirmed that SACRE had received a budget of £5,000 for 2017/18. Any extra income will have to come from courses that we provide.	
9.2	Thought needs to be given to the next conference.	
9.3	Any school visits that LW undertakes, has to be paid for by the school. Those schools that are a cause for concern and LW visits, payment will come from the 10 days budget allowance for LW.	
10	Any other business	
10.1	Pamela Hartog advised the group of an excellent resource for RE teachers called Judaism GCSE RE Book, written by Clive Lawton.	
10.2	Pamela also made SACRE aware that an exhibition 'Jewish way of life', organised by the Sussex Outreach Jewish Group is available for schools at a cost of £100 a day. LW suggested that Gildredge House School may be interested in hosting such an event and suggested Mike Rundle speak to Pamela outside of the meeting.	
10.3	Cllr Galley advised the meeting that he has been appointed on to the Executive Board of NASACRE. The first meeting he will attend is in July and Cllr Galley will provide feedback at the next SACRE meeting.	
10.4	Cllr Galley advised the meeting that Julie Dougill is leaving ESCC and would be a huge loss to SACRE. Cllr Galley expressed his thanks to Julie on behalf of everyone on the SACRE.	
10.5	Alistair Robertson asked if he could bring along 2 Buddhist reps to the next SACRE to see if either of them would like to join the group.	
	Date of the next meeting : 15th November 2017	
	Venue: tbc	