

**STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
NETWORK MEETING OF LOCAL SACREs**

NOTES OF THE MEETING held on Monday 5 October 2009 at 2 pm in the Wellington Room, The Castle, Winchester.

Present

Portsmouth SACRE

Councillor David Horne, Portsmouth SACRE Chair,
Georgina Mulhall, Portsmouth SACRE, RE Advisor

Hampshire SACRE

Councillor Anna McNair Scott, Hampshire SACRE (in the Chair)
Pat Hannam, Hampshire SACRE Professional Advisor
Judith Lowndes, Hampshire SACRE RE Advisor
Katy Ford, Hampshire SACRE Clerk

Isle of Wight SACRE

Ralph Hodd, Isle of Wight SACRE Chair

BOURNEMOUTH SACRE

Rubina Nassar, Bournemouth RE Advisor
Lilian Weatherley, Bournemouth SACRE Vice-Chair,
Isle of Wight SACRE RE Adviser, Group B Representative on
Hampshire, Portsmouth and Southampton SACREs

1 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Peter Davies, Portsmouth SACRE, Vice Chair; Councillor Edward Daunt, new Southampton Vice Chair; Councillor Parvin Damani, Southampton SACRE Chair.

2 Minutes of the Previous Meeting – 20 April 2009

It was noted in regards to the action on item 3(a) that the guidelines would be forwarded to Portsmouth and Southampton once tested in the two Hampshire schools.

Action 7.1 are to be followed up by Peter Davies

Action 7.2 (website) – It was agreed that due to David Vane changing roles, the website would be left until someone suitable could be assigned to manage it and keep it up to date.

Subject to the above amendments, the minutes were approved as a correct record.

3 Matters Arising

No specific items were discussed

4 Updates from SACREs

Various issues with local SACRE's were discussed.

(a) Portsmouth SACRE

Portsmouth had received very positive feedback after their SACRE development day. Mary Young from the University College Chichester attended and did a talk on Community Cohesion. The event was well attended by SACRE members and Head teachers and representatives from fourteen local schools also attended the event.

A 'Jewish Way of Life' exhibition is currently being set up for 1 – 21 July 2010. It is being well supported and will be open to schools during the week and the general public at the weekends and from 14:30 onwards on week days. It shall be held at Portsmouth Museum and also expanding outside to allow more room and opportunity for visitors to interact with workshops and exhibits.

ACTION:

Judith to forward Georgina a copy of the pack featuring information on Judaism so it can be included as part of the event.

(b) Hampshire SACRE

A SACRE training course had been attended by members, provided by NASACRE and the feedback was very positive, with the course being very beneficial. This training is only open to new Members on Committee A of SACRE and not elected Members.

Slight disappointment was raised that Portsmouth had not provided any schools for the GCSE Conference. Georgina asked that in future all details were passed to her so she make sure the information was forwarded to the right people.

ACTION:

Judith to forward information on the GCSE Conference to Georgina.

Pat Hannam was welcomed as Clive Erriker's replacement for Hampshire.

(c) Bournemouth SACRE

Bournemouth confirmed that their next SACRE meeting was on the 10 October and was to be followed by a visit to the local synagogue.

5 Community Cohesion / Prevent Strategy. An update from Pat Hannam, County RE Inspector for Hampshire.

This meeting, attended by Pat, was chaired by Paddy Hillary of HCC. There were several areas of focus, including Education and RE, which was very positive.

The conferences had unfortunately been postponed due to low uptake from schools. A meeting in London is to follow in November regarding the Toolkit.

It was confirmed that SACRE are responsible for monitoring community cohesion and that it was important that white extremism was considered as an issue. Some concerns were raised regarding funding for community cohesion as the RE Council may be unable to administer the funding. This shall be monitored.

6 Review of the Agreed Syllabus for Hampshire, Portsmouth and Southampton

The meeting is to take place on the 6 October, with feedback being received from schools. Results shall be presented to Southampton and Portsmouth. The plan is for it to be published by September 2010.

Mark Chater has an alignment group to see about realigning the Agreed Syllabus' and shall be attended the Hampshire SACRE.

7 Agreeing protocols with between SACRE's.

Judith tabled a proposed set of protocols for the group's approval.

It was suggested that the Council logo's were added to the protocol. The final version shall be emailed to local SACRE's for approval.

8 Update on Raising the Profile of SACREs

Hampshire confirmed that they had two possible new members to the local SACRE. Further discussion to take place after the upcoming local SACRE meetings.

9 AOB

Agreed that the next meeting would be on Monday 22 March 2010.

ACTION:

Judith to send Georgina the Annual Report template, although it was emphasised that it was not a statutory requirement to use it.