



Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education (SACRE)

Date: Thursday 11 July 2024

Time: 4.30 pm

Place: Gurdwara Sahib Miri Piri House - Gurdwara Sahib Miri Piri House

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1 Welcome and introduction to the Gurdwara

2 Apologies for absence

3 Declarations of interest

4 Minutes

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 14 March 2024

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5 Matters arising

- All Members: To reach out to their relevant contacts and encourage them to get accredited and listed with the RE Hubs project.
- Councillor Cheryl Barnard: To write to David Wand to formally thank him for his years contributing to SACRE.
- Heidi Shewell-Cooper: For meetings to be scheduled outside of Ramadan and Purim from the next academic year.

Proposed Dates 2024/5 *Avoid – 2 October - 28 June 7/8 days*

Autumn: Thursday 17 October

Spring: Thursday 27 February: joint meeting with Nottinghamshire SACRE at Central Library, Nottingham

Summer: Thursday 17 July

All checked against a calendar of religious festivals

- To arrange for roundtable discussions in smaller groups at the next meeting, as part of the SACRE self-evaluation. Item 6
- To set up the Monitoring Sub-Group. See Item 9: LA Officer's Report

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SACRE is the 'Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education'. Since 1944 every Local Authority is required by law to have a SACRE. Its role was further strengthened in the Education Reform Act of 1988 and most recently in 1996.

The responsibilities of SACRE are:

- to provide advice to the Local Authority (LA) on all aspects of its provision for RE in its schools (this does not include Voluntary Aided Schools);
- to decide whether the LA's Agreed Syllabus for RE needs to be reviewed and if so, to ensure that this is completed;
- to provide advice to the LA on Collective Worship in its schools (this does not include Voluntary Aided or Voluntary Controlled Schools);
- to consider any requests from Headteachers to hold Collective Worship that is not of a broadly Christian character;
- to advise on matters relating to training for teachers in RE and Collective Worship;
- to publish an Annual Report of its work.