

WALSALL COUNCIL

STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL ON RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

MONDAY, 13 JULY 2009

APPOINTMENT OF STRATEGY SUB-GROUP

1 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is to appoint Members of the SACRE Strategy Sub-Group

2 Recommendation

- 2.1 That one representative from each of the under-mentioned Groups be appointed to the SACRE Strategy Sub-Group:-

Local Education Authority
Lichfield Diocesan Board of Education
Christian and other religious denominations
Teacher representative

3 Background

- 3.1 SACRE may recall that on 22 April 2002, approval was given to one representative from each Group being appointed to work alongside Education Walsall on the five year Development Plan. The under-mentioned persons were appointed to represent the Groups indicated for 2008/09:-

Councillor C. Ault - Local Education Authority
Mrs. S. Blackmore - Lichfield Diocesan Board of Education
Mrs. M. Gibbons - Christian and other religious denominations
Mr. K. Yeates - Teacher representative
Reverend E. Snowden - Chairman (Ex-officio)

The group was extended to form the Agreed Syllabus Working Group and to provide wider representation.

- 3.2 The five year Development Plan was agreed as follows:-

Year

Action

1 – 2008/9

- Pilot monitoring system for the teaching and learning of RE across the key stages.

- Review of the Agreed Syllabus
 - Investigate training for SACRE members, including roles/responsibilities of members, and the introduction of the syllabus.
- 2 – 2009/10
- Launch of the Agreed Syllabus
- 3 – 2010/11
- Plan for SACRE to meet the advanced criteria in the self evaluation.
 - Monitor collective worship (report on outcome of annual monitoring)
- 4 – 2011/12
- Promote RE as a field of study for older pupils.
 - Promote the use of an RE website.
- 5 – 2012/13
- Review of Agreed Syllabus.

Year 1 of the development plan will be completed when the Agreed Syllabus review is finalised.

To date, two new members of SACRE have attended training sessions.

3.3 The Sub-Group also sets the agenda for SACRE meetings and meets as follows:-

Monday, 21 September, 2009 – Green Lane Baptist Church
 Monday, 8 February, 2010 – Pleck Methodist Church, Bescot Road
 Monday, 21 June, 2010 – Pleck Methodist Church, Bescot Road

Meetings commence at 4.30 p.m.

Rory Borealis – Executive Director (Resources)
3 July 2009