

AGENDA

Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education (SACRE)

Date: **Wednesday 6 July 2011**

Time: **2.00 pm**

Place: **The Council Chamber, Brockington, 35 Hafod Road,
Hereford**

Notes: Please note the **time, date** and **venue** of the meeting.

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Agenda for the Meeting of the Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education (SACRE)

Membership

Chairman	Councillor J Stone	Local Authority
Vice-Chairman		
	Councillor CNH Attwood	Local Authority
	Mrs. C. Ault	Bahai faith
	Mrs L Barker	Secondary School Teachers
	Revd. P. Barlow	Church of England
	Mr. P. Bowen	Church of England
	Mrs S Bryant	Church of England
	Councillor EMK Chave	Local Authority
	Venerable Tsuiltrim Tenzin Choesang	Buddhist
	Mrs A. Daniel	Primary School Teachers
	Miss Emilie James	Special School Teachers
	Mrs Gurmit Jutle	Sikh Faith
	Rev DT Meachem	Churches Together in Herefordshire
	Sr. D. O'Donnell	Roman Catholic Church
	Mr. Z. Pandor	Muslim Faith
	Ms C Wolfe	Jewish Faith
Non Voting	Mrs S Catlow-Hawkins	Co-opted member
	Ms. K. Mayglotling	Co-Opted Member
	Miss Allyson Taylor	Co-opted Member

GUIDANCE ON DECLARING PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS AT MEETINGS

The Council's Members' Code of Conduct requires Councillors to declare against an Agenda item(s) the nature of an interest and whether the interest is personal or prejudicial. Councillors have to decide first whether or not they have a personal interest in the matter under discussion. They will then have to decide whether that personal interest is also prejudicial.

A personal interest is an interest that affects the Councillor more than most other people in the area. People in the area include those who live, work or have property in the area of the Council. Councillors will also have a personal interest if their partner, relative or a close friend, or an organisation that they or the member works for, is affected more than other people in the area. If they do have a personal interest, they must declare it but can stay and take part and vote in the meeting.

Whether an interest is prejudicial is a matter of judgement for each Councillor. What Councillors have to do is ask themselves whether a member of the public – if he or she knew all the facts – would think that the Councillor's interest was so important that their decision would be affected by it. If a Councillor has a prejudicial interest then they must declare what that interest is. A Councillor who has declared a prejudicial interest at a meeting may nevertheless be able to address that meeting, but only in circumstances where an ordinary member of the public would be also allowed to speak. In such circumstances, the Councillor concerned will have the same opportunity to address the meeting and on the same terms. However, a Councillor exercising their ability to speak in these circumstances must leave the meeting immediately after they have spoken.

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		Pages
1.	LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERS AND CHAIRMAN OF SACRE To note that following the Local Authority elections in May 2011 the Council's political group leaders have appointed Councillor CNH Attwood, Councillor EMK Chave and Councillor J Stone to serve on SACRE. In accordance with the SACRE Constitution the Chairmanship of SACRE is drawn from the Local Authority membership. Councillor Stone has been appointed Chairman.	
2.	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE To receive apologies for absence.	
3.	NAMED SUBSTITUTES (IF ANY) To receive details any details of Members nominated to attend the meeting in place of a Member of the Committee.	
4.	MINUTES To approve and sign the Minutes of the meeting held on 28 March 2011.	1 - 6
5.	RESPONSE TO WRITTEN PUBLIC QUESTIONS (IF ANY) To answer any pre-received written questions from members of the public.	
6.	NEW AGREED SYLLABUS LAUNCH AT SACRE ANNUAL CONFERENCE To report on the launch of the new Agreed Syllabus for Religious Education at the SACRE Annual Conference held Friday 10 June 2011 at the Queen Elizabeth Humanities College, Bromyard and report on progress with the introduction of the Agreed Syllabus into schools in September 2011.	
7.	PROVISION OF RE CONSULTANCY SUPPORT FOR SCHOOLS FROM APRIL 2011 To advise SACRE of the position concerning the provision of RE Consultancy support for schools from April 2011.	
8.	GOVERNMENT EDUCATION STRATEGY - IMPLICATIONS FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - UPDATE To report any further changes to the government's education strategy that may affect the teaching of Religious Education in Herefordshire schools.	7 - 28
9.	NASACRE / WESTHILL AWARDS 2011/12 To report the successful bid to NASACRE / Westhill Awards 2011/12 (Local Young Inter-Faith project) for funding towards the 'Looking for Meaning: bringing schools, faiths and communities together' project.	

10. NASACRE EXECUTIVE MEMBER

To note that The Venerable Tsuiltrim Tenzin Choesang has been elected to the NASACRE Executive and will report on any national issues raised.

11. MINDFULNESS IN SCHOOLS PROJECT

The Venerable Tsuiltrim Tenzin Choesang to report further on her involvement in the Mindfulness in School Project.

12. SACRE E-MAIL CONTACT DETAILS

To consider whether SACRE Members want to formally exchange e-mail contact details to facilitate communication between meeting dates.

13. MRS VICKY WARD, SECONDARY SCHOOL ADVISOR

To note that this will be the last SACRE meeting for Mrs Vicky Ward who has acted as the Lead Officer to SACRE since March 2010 as she will be leaving the Local Authority at the end of July 2011.