

HACKNEY STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL ON RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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TUESDAY 19 MAY 2009 AT 6.30PM

To be held in the room 1 & 2 (3rd Floor)
THE LEARNING TRUST
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Enquiries & apologies to Karl D'Cruz, SACRE Adviser,
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Representative group meetings 6.00pm

Group 1 (Religious traditions & Christian Churches) – (left end – right side)

Group 2 (Church of England) – room 1/2 (left end – left side)

Group 3 (Teachers Associations) – room 1/2 (right end)

Group 4 (Local Education Authority) – room 3

A G E N D A

Improving standards in Religious Education and Collective Worship

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING

3. URGENT ITEMS

Items which the Chair considers urgent.

4. MEMBERSHIP OF SACRE

The Adviser to report on any SACRE membership changes.

5. PRIMARY CURRICULUM REVIEW – CONSULTATION

The executive summary and recommendations of the Primary Curriculum Review are on pages 11-28. The 'RE Programme of Learning' is on pages 29-32.

The Primary Curriculum Review report proposes radical changes which will affect the way RE is planned and taught.

SACRE needs to decide whether, and how, to respond to the consultation.

The full report, RE 'Programme of Learning', and consultation questionnaire, are on:
<http://www.dcsf.gov.uk/primarycurriculumreview/>

Karl D'Cruz, RE / SACRE Adviser, to report.

6. RE IN ENGLISH SCHOOLS: NON-STATUTORY GUIDANCE 2009 - CONSULTATION

The Religious Education sections of Circular 1/94 have been reviewed and a new guidance document is out for consultation. "The purpose of the document is to support the provision of high quality religious education (RE) in maintained schools in England by providing clear non-statutory guidance about its position within the curriculum and the roles of those who have a responsibility, involvement or interest in the subject."

The document is reproduced on pages 33-83.

The consultation questionnaire is reproduced on pages 84-91.

The documents are on: <http://www.dcsf.gov.uk/primarycurriculumreview/>

SACRE needs to decide on the nature of its response to the consultation.

Karl D’Cruz to report.

7. FIRST-EVER ‘INTER FAITH WEEK’ IN ENGLAND

‘Inter Faith Week’, is being promoted by the Department of Communities and Local Government. It will run from 15 to 21 November with a launch the preceding week. Its aims are:

- to strengthen good inter faith relations at all levels;
- to increase awareness of the different and distinct faith communities in the UK, in particular celebrating and building on the contribution which their members make to their neighbourhoods and to wider society; and
- to increase understanding between people of religious and non-religious belief.

The press release Department of Communities and Local Government is on pages 92-94.

Mary Ludlow, deputy Chair, to report.

8. SACRE ANNUAL REPORT - ACADEMIC YEAR 2007-2008

(a) SACRE has a statutory duty to produce and publish an annual report. It is also required to send a copy to the Qualifications and Curriculum Authority (QCA).

(b) A draft report was tabled at the last SACRE meeting.

(c) SACRE members were asked to communicate suggested additions, amendments, and/or corrections to Karl D’Cruz by Monday 2nd March.

(c) The final version of the Hackney SACRE annual report was presented to the Chairs Group prior to being sent to the QCA.

(d) The final report is attached (pages 95-113) and is published on the RE/SACRE website www.learninglive.co.uk/re

ClIr Saleem Siddiqui, SACRE Chair, to report.

9. INFORMATION ITEMS:

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SACREs UPDATE

The latest NASACRE Newsletter is attached – pages 114-131.

Karl D’Cruz, (SACRE representative on the NASACRE executive committee), to report.

10. FUTURE MEETINGS

(i) SACRE Groups are invited to make recommendations on matters and topics of business for future meetings.

(ii) Date of future meetings – 14 October 2009; 18 November 2009; 10 February 2010.