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Date: 7 November 2017

Dear Sir or Madam,

Your attendance is requested at a meeting of the **STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL ON RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (SACRE)** to be held in **Committee Room 1, County Hall, Morpeth, on Wednesday, 15 November 2017 at 10.00 a.m.**

Yours faithfully,



Chief Executive

To the members of the Northumberland Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education (SACRE)



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AGENDA

PART I

It is expected that the matters included in this part of the agenda will be dealt with in public.

1. MEMBERSHIP

To note the resignation of Cloud Singh from the Northumberland SACRE.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence have been received in advance from Vice-Chair Mrs. D. Van Der Velde and Councillor B. Pidcock.

3. MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of the Northumberland Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education (SACRE), held on 7 June 2017, as circulated, to be confirmed as a true record, and signed by the Chairman.

4. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Unless already entered in the Council's Register of Members' interests, members are required to disclose any personal interest, (which includes any disclosable pecuniary interest), they may have in any of the items included on the agenda for the meeting in accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted by the Council on 4 July 2012, and are reminded that if they have any personal interests of a prejudicial nature (as defined under paragraph 17 of the Code of Conduct) they must not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter and must leave the room.

N.B. Any member needing clarification must contact the Legal Services Manager, Liam Henry, on 01670 623324. Please refer to the guidance on disclosures at the rear of this agenda letter.

5. AN UPDATE OF CONTACTS WITH SCHOOLS AND TRAINING PROVISION

To receive an update from Mr Phil Andre, RE Consultant, about his provision of RE in-service training and contacts with schools since the last related meeting (report

attached as Appendix A).

6. NORTHUMBERLAND SACRE NEWSLETTER

To consider the arrangements for the contents to be included in the next edition, Issue No. 35, of the SACRE newsletter (for January 2018).

Reminder any copy documents in word format to be sent to Mr. P. Andre in the first instance by mid-December for inclusion in the next edition of the SACRE newsletter – issue No.35 for January 2018.

7. NASACRE ISSUES

(a) The NASACRE Newsletter – SACRE News– Issues 15 and 16

To receive the Summer and Autumn Term 2017 newsletters – for information (copies enclosed).

Reminder of web site link: www.nasacre.org.uk for other interesting articles.

8. ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE PREPARATION OF THE NORTHUMBERLAND ANNUAL SACRE REPORT

To discuss the arrangements to be made for the preparation of the (statutory) draft Annual Report of Northumberland SACRE for the 2016/17 academic year.

9. HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY 2018

To consider any suggestions towards holding a Holocaust Memorial Day event in 2018.

10. FEEDBACK ON THE SACRE CONFERENCE

To receive an update on the recent RE Conference which was held on 9 November 2017 at Choppington Welfare Centre.

11. INFORMATION ITEM

The following email has been received for circulation, discussion and information:-

From: **NASACRE** <admin@nasacre.org.uk>
Date: 11 October 2017 at 19:43

Subject: Commission on RE Interim Report Consultation
To: NASACRE <admin@nasacre.org.uk>

Dear SACRE Colleagues,

The Commission on Religious Education (CoRE) has launched an online consultation based on their interim report, [Religious Education for All](#). The consultation will close at **9am on Monday 4th December**.

In order to complete the consultation, please follow this link:
<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/CoREConsult1>.

A PDF of the full set of questions, can be downloaded [here](#) to allow people to think about their responses before filling the call in online, if you wish. You are not required to answer all of the questions in the consultation. Please do not try to fill in your answers on the PDF: it is for your reference only. Some questions in the “About You/About Your School/About Your School or College/About Your University/About Your SACRE/About Your Organisation” sections shown in the PDF will only appear if you select particular options: please do not worry if you are not asked these questions when you complete the online consultation.

Please respond to this consultation in a personal capacity as individual SACRE members, and/or as your SACRE as an organisation, and share the details of this consultation with your schools. It is important that CoRE hears from as wide a range of people and organisations as possible.

PS Don't forget to book for the Joint NASACRE/AREIAC conference discussing the interim report; details here <http://www.nasacre.org.uk/sacre-news-and-events>

Best wishes,

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12. URGENT BUSINESS (IF ANY)

To consider such other business as, in the opinion of the Chairman, should, by reason of special circumstances, be considered as a matter of urgency.

13. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT AND FUTURE MEETINGS

Wednesday, 7 March 2018

IF YOU HAVE AN INTEREST AT THIS MEETING, PLEASE:

- Declare it and give details of its nature before the matter is discussed or as soon as it becomes apparent to you.
- Complete this sheet and pass it to the Democratic Services Officer.

Name (please print):
Meeting:
Date:
Item to which your interest relates:
Nature of Registerable Personal Interest i.e. either disclosable pecuniary interest (as defined by Annex 2 to Code of Conduct or other interest (as defined by Annex 3 to Code of Conduct) (please give details):
Nature of Non-registerable Personal Interest (please give details):
Are you intending to withdraw from the meeting?

1. Registerable Personal Interests – You may have a Registerable Personal Interest if the issue being discussed in the meeting:

- a) relates to any Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (as defined by Annex 1 to the Code of Conduct); or
- b) any other interest (as defined by Annex 2 to the Code of Conduct)

The following interests are Disclosable Pecuniary Interests if they are an interest of either you or your spouse or civil partner:

(1) Employment, Office, Companies, Profession or vocation; (2) Sponsorship; (3) Contracts with the Council; (4) Land in the County; (5) Licences in the County; (6) Corporate Tenancies with the Council; or (7) Securities - interests in Companies trading with the Council.

The following are other Registerable Personal Interests:

(1) any body of which you are a member (or in a position of general control or management) to which you are appointed or nominated by the Council; (2) any body which (i) exercises functions of a public nature or (ii) has charitable purposes or (iii) one of whose principal purpose includes the influence of public opinion or policy (including any political party or trade union) of which you are a member (or in a position of general control or management); or (3) any person from whom you have received within the previous three years a gift or hospitality with an estimated value of more than £50 which is attributable to your position as an elected or co-opted member of the Council.

2. Non-Registerable Personal Interests - You may have a non-registerable personal interest when you attend a meeting of the Council or Cabinet, or one of their committees or sub-committees, and you are, or ought reasonably to be, aware that a decision in relation to an item of business which is to be transacted might reasonably be regarded as affecting your well being or financial position, or the well being or financial position of a person described below to a greater extent than most inhabitants of the area affected by the decision.

The persons referred to above are: (a) a member of your family; (b) any person with whom you have a close association; or (c) in relation to persons described in (a) and (b), their employer, any firm in which they are a partner, or company of which they are a director or shareholder.

3. Non-Participation in Council Business

When you attend a meeting of the Council or Cabinet, or one of their committees or sub-committees, and you are aware that the criteria set out below are satisfied in relation to any matter to be considered, or being considered at that meeting, you must : (a) Declare that fact to the meeting; (b) Not participate (or further participate) in any discussion of the matter at the meeting; (c) Not participate in any vote (or further vote) taken on the matter at the meeting; and (d) Leave the room whilst the matter is being discussed.

The criteria for the purposes of the above paragraph are that: (a) You have a registerable or non-registerable personal interest in the matter which is such that a member of the public knowing the relevant facts would reasonably think it so significant that it is likely to prejudice your judgement of the public interest; **and either** (b) the matter will affect the financial position of yourself or one of the persons or bodies referred to above or in any of your register entries; **or** (c) the matter concerns a request for any permission, licence, consent or registration sought by yourself or any of the persons referred to above or in any of your register entries.

This guidance is not a complete statement of the rules on declaration of interests which are contained in the Members' Code of Conduct. If in any doubt, please consult the Monitoring Officer or relevant Democratic Services Officer before the meeting.