

Harrow SACRE Meeting Tuesday 29th November 2011 at 7.30p.m.

To be held in Committee Rooms 1 & 2

Harrow Civic Centre

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AGENDA

1. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

3. MEMBERSHIP

a) Welcome to new members

b) Reserve members

4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 19TH SEPTEMBER 2011 (Pages 1 - 6)

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- a) Item 7b, page 5: Response from Public Communications Unit, DfE

Business items: Improving standards in religious education and collective worship

6. SACRE ANNUAL REPORT

a) Analysis of public examination results for Harrow High Schools in RS 2011

Information about the entry patterns and standards gained in the RS GCSE (short & full courses)

and AS/A Levels provides SACRE with a picture of the implementation of the Harrow Agreed Syllabus in local non-denominational schools and its impact on pupils' attainment & achievement.

This data was not available when the agenda was prepared.

b) Consideration of the draft Annual Report 2010 – 2011 (Pages 7 - 18)

The SACRE Annual Report must be agreed, subject to amendments, and submitted to NASACRE by 31st December 2011. This review of SACRE's work over the last academic year provides an evidence base for SACRE self-evaluation and monitoring against the priorities of the

SACRE Development Plan.

7. SACRE LOGO (Pages 19 - 20)

To agree a proposed logo which would promote Harrow SACRE's identity as distinct from, although working in partnership with, Harrow Council and the Harrow Schools Improvement Partnership

8. DETERMINATIONS (Pages 21 - 32)

To agree procedures and a proforma for schools to submit when applying "for a variation in the

requirement of the Education Reform Act 1988 and Education Act 1993, that collective worship is

wholly or mainly of a broadly Christian character"

Legislation and DfE non-statutory guidance on determinations (pages 21 – 29)

Draft proforma for school applications pages (pages 31 – 32)

9. REPRESENTATION ON HARROW SACRE FOR THE NEW ACADEMIES

Religious education in academies must be provided in accordance with their funding agreements or, where academies do not have a religious designation, in accordance with the requirements for agreed syllabuses. Nationally there are early signals that academies are interpreting this requirement rather loosely. Locally we might wish to encourage Harrow academies to continue to deliver the Harrow Agreed Syllabus.

Information items: improving SACRE's effectiveness

10. REPORTS FROM SACRE PARTNERS

a) Faith communities

b) Harrow InterFaith Council

11. DATES OF FUTURE SACRE MEETINGS

Spring term 2012: Tuesday 13th March 2012, 7.30p.m. at Harrow Civic Centre

Summer Term 2012: