



**Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council
SACRE Meeting
Friday 12th February 2021
3.00pm
Meeting via Microsoft Teams**

Attendees: Jo Siddle, Head of Education, BwD
 Alison Ashworth Taylor, Strategic Lead for School Effectiveness
 Helen Sage, Blackburn Diocese
 Jenny Savage, Pleckgate High, Head of Department
 Claire Taylor, St James CEP, Blackburn
 Sharifa Valli, School Effectiveness Co-ordinator
 Dot Thompson, Independent Consultant
 Mohammed Sidat, IMO Charity
 Shahiesta Raja, Community Rail Lancashire
 Paula Johnson, Solicitor
 Cllr Julie Gunn
 Cllr John East
 Cllr Suleman Khonat
 Cllr Sylvia Liddle

Item no.		Lead
1.	<p>Welcome, Introductions and Apologies</p> <p>Jo welcomed all members to the meeting. All members introduced themselves.</p>	
2.	<p><u>Apologies</u></p> <p>Apologies were received from Lisa Fenton.</p>	
3.	<p>Minutes of previous meeting</p> <p>DT has agreed to support us a consultant thank you. Approved as an accurate record</p>	
4.	<p>Matters arising</p> <p>a. JS to speak to JI about the proposal to recruit a consultant DT appointed as consultant</p> <p>b. Membership of SACRE This to be discussed further down the agenda</p> <p>c. Mohammed to share an overview of the schools that Interfaith Forum have already worked with. MS has resigned from the Interfaith Forum but will feedback from the forum on a regular basis.</p>	
5.	<p><u>Election of Chair</u></p> <p>Alison was nominated has the Chair. LF has agreed to be the Vice Chair.</p>	

	Action: SV to contact member who have not joined the meeting today to check if they had any difficulty joining the virtual meeting.	SV
6.	<p><u>Membership</u></p> <p>DT clarified he members of the SACRE board. The Board constructed of four committees as follows:</p> <p><u>Committee A</u>: Belonging to Christian denomination or other religions reflective of the BwD area.</p> <p><u>Committee B</u>: CofE representatives.</p> <p><u>Committee C</u>: Teacher association representatives. One NASUWT, national education union, National Association of HTs and the fourth would be Association of school, colleges and lecturers. There is a rep from the Primary and Secondary network of RE teachers. It was noted that there is no representation from the AP or Special school provision.</p> <p><u>Committee D</u>: Members nominated by the LA.</p> <p>DT clarified that each committee has one vote.</p> <p>Action: Members to email SV with their full contact details, who nominated them, which committee they belong to and which other organisation could they represent.</p> <p>Action: To provide a completed committee sheet for the board to view so that we can see where the gap are.</p> <p>Action: JG to speak to the leader of the council with regards to filling the fourth LA rep on Committee C.</p> <p>Action: JS/AAT to speak to the unions regarding a rep to sit on the SACRE board. It was noted that JS is a member of the NASUWAT.</p>	<p>AII/SV</p> <p>DT/SV</p> <p>JG</p> <p>AAT/JS</p>
7.	<p><u>Term of Reference</u></p> <p>The terms of reference had been circulated prior to the meeting. AAT, DT and PJ will continue to update these and will share the terms of reference with the board for comments before the next meeting.</p> <p>JE asked the board how the SACRE information would be communicated to our academies. JS confirmed that the LA meets with all Academy Trust leads on a weekly basis, they also attend the SIB meetings where this information would be shared.</p> <p>DT clarified that all academies that do not have a faith foundation are expected to adopt the adopted SACRE syllabus for RE and legally obliged to provide an act of collective worship every day for every child.</p>	AAT/PJ/DT

<p>8.</p>	<p><u>Legal Update</u></p> <p>PJ confirmed for this meeting the main aim was to sort the Membership of SACRE and the Terms of Reference.</p>	
<p>9.</p>	<p><u>Update from Members</u></p> <p>HS reported that the Cathedral is hoping to hold an event in November where the Knife Angel will be displayed in the Cathedral precinct. The Knife Angel is connected to raising the awareness of knife crime and the prevention of it. HS suggested that either the Vice Dean or the Cathedral Education Officer are invited as a guest to the SACRE meeting.</p> <p>Action: HS to provide a further update at the next meeting.</p> <p>Action: JS/HS and AAT to meet and look at how BwD SACRE can work collaboratively across the BBL area and share good practice.</p> <p>JE asked members to be aware of two key events taking place this year: City of Sanctuary – look at the possibility of the primary and secondary sector getting involved Refugee week – the theme this year is You’ll never walk alone.</p> <p>Action: JE to send contact details of Chris Seddon so that she can come to the next meeting to update the group regarding City of Sanctuary.</p> <p>Brief discussion took place regarding the funding for SACRE and RE bursaries. A number of projects were mentioned that SACRE could link in with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Together coalition – A national neighbour day ▪ Action bursary ▪ Post Covid project Bids ▪ Youth Ambassadors project ▪ Community Rail Lancashire initiative ▪ Westminster Abbey ▪ Promote through SACRE – e.g. in April to celebrate Easter and Ramadhan/EID. <p>Action: JE to send AAT details of the community bids that he is involved in. https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/national-lottery-awards-for-all-england</p> <p>Action: SR to send details of the Northern Rail initiative to SV.</p>	<p>HS</p> <p>AAT/JS/HS</p> <p>JE/SV</p> <p>JE</p> <p>SR</p>
<p>10.</p>	<p><u>Action Plan going forward</u></p> <p>AAT reported that going forward the group need to look at developing a SEF.</p> <p>Action: AAT/DT and HS will meet to look at the SEF in readiness for the next meeting with associated action plans.</p>	<p>AAT/DT/HS</p>

	<p>DT clarified the role of committees. Each committee has one vote and the only time the committee would split into groups would be to formally approve the agreed syllabus and collective worship policy.</p> <p>It was agreed to have a full committee meeting before the Easter break.</p> <p>Action: JS and AAT to look at the SSIF brokering grant for possible funding for SACRE.</p>	AAT/JS
11	<p><u>A.O.B</u></p> <p>DT confirmed that the RE syllabus is due for review in 2022.</p> <p>DT asked that going forward the SACRE meetings should be embedded in the official council calendar.</p> <p>Action: AAT, PJ and AAT to meet after this meeting to discuss this.</p>	AAT/PJ/JS
12.	<p><u>Date of next meeting</u></p> <p>TBC</p>	