



Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council
SACRE Meeting
Tuesday, 22nd February 2022
9.45pm
Meeting via Microsoft Teams

Attendees	Initials	Affiliation
A Religions and Christian Denominations		
Harkirat Singh		Sikh
B Church of England		
Helen Sage Lisa Fenton	HS LF	Blackburn Diocese
C Teacher Associations		
Claire Taylor	CT	Primary Rep
Jenny Savage	JS	Secondary Rep
Liz Beaumont	LB	NEU
Chris Dugdale	CD	NHT
Shahnaz Rehman	SR	SIG 1
Michael Parker	MP	SIG 2
Anne Marie O'Neil	AO'N	SIG 4
Becky Ham	BH	SIG 5
Jemma Kellow	JK	SIG 6
Greg Sharples	GS	SIG 7
D Local Authority		
Alison Ashworth Taylor	AAT	
Cllr Lillian Salton	SL	
Cllr Suleman Khonat	SK	

Also in attendance:

Dot Thomson (DT), Independent Consultant
 Sharifa Valli (SV), School Effectiveness Co-ordinator (Clerk)
 Paula Johnson (PJ), Solicitor, Democratic Services
 Emma Owen, Message Trust
 Abdul Keratkar
 Eden Johnson, Observer

Item no.		Lead
1.	<u>Welcome and Introductions</u> AAT welcomed all members to the meeting and introductions were made.	
2.	<u>Apologies</u>	

	<p>Apologies were received from and accepted from</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Cllr Sylvia Liddle 2. Rev Stuart Smith 3. Rafiq Sufi 4. Mohammed Sidat 5. John East 	
3.	<p>No More Knives Evaluation Message Trust –presentation</p> <p>Emma Owen from the Message Trust attended the meeting to speak to the group about the success of the No More Knives initiative that the secondary schools in BWD had participated.</p> <p>EW reported that they had seventeen schools sign up for the tour and they visited sixteen schools and one joined virtually. The Trust sent out evaluation forms to all the pupils and they received over four thousand and six hundred completed evaluation forms. The results were collated and EO gave a breakdown of the evaluation figures; 94.5% Agreed and Strongly Agreed it was a useful session 94.6% Agreed and Strongly Agreed that the session will help them make the right choice to not carry a knife.</p> <p>EO shared with the group feedback from teachers which was extremely positive and commended the trust on the delivery of the session and how relevant the content was. They have also had feedback from parents via the schools with similar compliments and how it has had a really positive impact on the students in the school and empowering young people to make the right choice. EO thanked SACRE for supporting the tour and is looking forward to working with schools on further tours.</p> <p>EO shared a video of the tour with the group and members of the group gave their feedback of the event and how well it had been received by all. HS reiterated her thanks to the Trust and the SACRE for supporting the event and also the Pupil Voice Conference that took place alongside the No More Knives Tour. It was acknowledged that the feedback and the impact that the tour had was very positive.</p> <p>It was noted that over a hundred knives were handed in but HS will confirm the exact number at the next meeting.</p> <p>DT also thanked the Lancashire Council of Mosques for recommending a colleague to attend the sixth form conference. The students were given an insight into their work with the community and their collaboration with the Police.</p> <p>EO agreed to DT request to use the images and the relevant data for the No Knives Tour in Annual SACRE report.</p> <p>HS also thanked HS for recommending a member of the education team who attended the conference and spoke to the groups about the role of knives and Sikh tradition. This will enable teachers to invite members of the team to come and speak to students in their schools going forward.</p> <p>AAT thanked EO for attending the meeting and reiterated the positive impact of the No Knives Tour. AAT also thanked Public health for providing funding for this and Canon Rowena for her contributions.</p>	<p>HS</p> <p>DT</p>
4.	<p>Minutes of Previous Meeting</p> <p>The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as a true and accurate record.</p>	

5.	<p>Actions from last meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) AAT to contact Phil Llewellyn (Corporate & Democratic Lead) with a view to appointing two members to fill the vacant positions on Committee D – AAT confirmed that PL is still working with leaders of to fill the vacancies and will give an update at the next meeting. b) JG to speak to the Leader of the Council regarding the ratification of the Town of Sanctuary process. JG will also speak to JS regarding pursuing the school of sanctuary initiative. AAT to speak Cllr Julie Gunn regarding this. AAT met with JG who is still pursuing school of sanctuary status. It was agreed to keep this as a standing agenda item. c) AAT has met with SH and two of her staff who will be invited to attend the next HT meeting and explain what a school of sanctuary. School reps on Committee C to be invited for this item at the second Autumn Term. This will be discussed at the next HT briefing. <i>This has been actioned.</i> d) AAT and LF to organise a meeting to look at RE bursaries. This meeting has not taken place and AAT will feedback at the next SACRE meeting. AAT confirmed that she and LF have met to look at this. AAT recommended that one of the themes to look at for the RE bursaries is Climate change. AAT to ask Imran Akuji or Carol Grimshaw to attend the next SACRE meeting to go through the presentation. e) DT to liaise with JE regarding premises for the Pupil Voice conference. DT confirmed that they had looked a number of places including Whalley Abbey and other local venues for this. The venue would all be dependent on the number of pupils who would be invited and if schools would prefer a virtual meeting instead of a face to face conference. f) DT and AAT will looking at the procedure for determinations before Christmas. It was noted that the LA had appointed Michelle Smith (HT at the Redeemer) to the SEO post and she will take up post in the new year and support AAT in this process. AAT to meet with MS and can update at the next meeting. g) It was agreed to invite the Linking Network to the SACRE meeting to speak to the board about this initiative. Colleagues from the network have been invited to the next meeting. h) AAT is due to meet with Mark Aspin who works for the local authority in the Community Safety team in a fortnight. They will look at how SACRE can support the various initiatives that his team will be involved in throughout the year. AAT met with Mark Aspin and it was proposed that SACRE look Climate change. 	
6.	<p>Agreed Syllabus Conference Update</p> <p>The Agreed Syllabus Conference was held prior to this SACRE meeting and AAT reported that the group had all accepted the recommendations from the evaluation grid.</p> <p>The group have also asked that Blackburn Diocese attend the next meeting to give a presentation on Quest for RE and Illuminating Pathways.</p>	AAT
7.	<p>Updates from members All</p> <p>There were no update from members to report</p>	
8.	<p>A.O.B</p>	

	There being no other business AAT thanked all members for their attendance and closed the meeting.	
12.	<u>Date of next meeting</u> 8 th March at 2.00pm, via MS teams	