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To: Catherine McCormack (Chair)

Councillors: Janet Axworthy, Marion Bateman (Vice Chair), Chris Bithell, Paul Cunningham, Adele Davies-Cooke, Colin Legg, Dave Mackie and Ian Roberts

RELIGIOUS DENOMINATIONS:

Church in Wales Representatives (St Asaph Diocese) Jennie Downes (Diocesan Office) Marina Parsons (Headteacher Trelawnyd)

Roman Catholic Representatives
Wendy White(Diocesan Office)
and John Morgan (St Anthony's Catholic
Primary School)

<u>Presbyterian Church of Wales</u> (Henaduriaeth y Gogledd Ddwyrain) Rev. Huw Powell Davies

TEACHER ASSOCIATIONS:

Secondary Heads
Catherine McCormack (St Richard Gwyn
Catholic High School)

<u>Primary Heads Federation</u> Simon Piercy (Golftyn School)

<u>Secondary RE Specialist</u> Lyn Oakes (Alun High School)

College Representative Deeside VI 1 x Vacancy

Primary Classroom Teachers
Amira Mattar (Westwood CP School)

Special School Representative
Julian Lewis (Ysgol Pen Coch)

Dear Sir / Madam

A remote meeting of the <u>FLINTSHIRE SACRE</u> will be held on <u>WEDNESDAY</u>, <u>9TH</u> FEBRUARY, 2022 at 4.00 PM to consider the following items.

Yours sincerely

Gareth Owens
Chief Officer (Governance)

Please note: This will be a remote meeting and 'attendance' will be restricted to Committee Members and those Members of Council who have asked the Head of Democratic Services for an invitation. Such attendees may only speak at the Chair's discretion.

The meeting will be live streamed onto the Council's website. A recording of the meeting will also be available, shortly after the meeting at https://flintshire.publici.tv/core/portal/home

If you have any queries regarding this, please contact a member of the Democratic Services Team on 01352 702345.

AGENDA

1 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

2 <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: CODE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT</u> CONDUCT

Members are reminded that they must declare the **existence** and **nature** of their declared personal interests.

3 MINUTES (Pages 7 - 10)

To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the previous meeting on 25 November 2022.

4 RELIGION, VALUES AND ETHICS GUIDANCE AND LEGISLATION (LINKS BELOW)

To receive a verbal update at the meeting by Vicky Barlow, Senior Manager for School Improvement, Education and Youth Portfolio.

Legislation Links

https://hwb.gov.wales/cwricwlwm-i-gymru/crynodeb-o-r-ddeddfwriaeth/#religion,-values-and-ethics

https://hwb.gov.wales/curriculum-for-wales/summary-of-legislation/#religion,-values-and-ethics

Guidance Links

https://hwb.gov.wales/cwricwlwm-i-gymru/y-dyniaethau/cynllunio-eich-cwricwlwm/#religion,-values-and-ethics-guidance

https://hwb.gov.wales/curriculum-for-wales/humanities/designing-your-curriculum/#religion,-values-and-ethics-guidance

5 PRESENTATION - SCHOOL BASED RELIGION, VALUES AND ETHICS GUIDANCE PROJECT ON IDENTITY AND BELONGING

To receive a presentation by Jennie Downes, St Asaph Diocesan Education Officer.

6 **CORRESPONDENCE**

7 **FUTURE MEETINGS**

The next meeting of Flintshire SACRE will be held at 4.00 pm on Wednesday 8th June 2022.

<u>AGREED SYLLABUS CONFERENCE (</u>TO COMMENCE AT THE CLOSE OF THE MEETING)

Agenda for Agreed Syllabus Conference

- 1. Appointment of Chair and Vice Chair for Conference
- 2. Declarations of Interest
- 3. Welcome, Introductions, apologies
- Curriculum 2022 and Religion, Value and Ethics Guidance developments since the last Agreed Syllabus Conference (26th February 2020)
- 5. Review of the Locally Agreed Syllabus A suggested way forward (presentation on day by Vicky Barlow)
- 6. Dates of next meetings

Procedural Note on the conduct of meetings

The Chair will open the meeting and introduce themselves.

The meeting will be attended by a number of Councillors. Officers will also be in attendance to present reports, with Democratic Services officers acting as hosts of the meeting.

All attendees are asked to ensure their mobile phones are switched off and that any background noise is kept to a minimum.

All microphones are to be kept muted during the meeting and should only be unmuted when invited to speak by the Chair. When invitees have finished speaking they should go back on mute.

To indicate to speak, Councillors will use the chat facility or use the electronic raise hand function. The chat function may also be used for questions, relevant comments and officer advice and updates.

The Chair will call the speakers, with elected Members addressed as 'Councillor' and officers addressed by their job title e.g. Chief Executive' or name. From time to time, the officer advising the Chair will explain procedural points or suggest alternative wording for proposals, to assist the Committee.

If and when a vote is taken, the Chair will explain that only those who oppose the proposal(s), or who wish to abstain will need to indicate, using the chat function. The officer advising the Chair will indicate whether the proposals are carried.

If a more formal vote is needed, this will be by roll call – where each Councillor will be asked in turn (alphabetically) how s/he wishes to vote

At County Council and Planning Committee meetings speaker's times are limited. A bell will be sounded to alert that the speaker has one minute remaining

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FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL SACRE COMMITTEE 25 November 2021

Minutes of the meeting of the SACRE Committee of Flintshire County Council held virtually on the 25 November 2021

IN ATTENDANCE:

Elected Members:

Cllr Chris Bithell (CB); Cllr Dave Mackie (DM); Cllr Janet Axworthy (JA); Cllr Adele Davies-Cooke (ADC); Cllr Marion Bateman (MB) and Cllr Paul Cunningham (PC)

Church in Wales Representatives (St Asaph Diocese)

Jennie Downes (JD):

Marina Parsons (MP), (Headteacher Ysgol Trelawynd VA School)

Secondary school representatives

Catherine McCormick (CM), Headteacher St Richard Gwyn RC High School, Flint

Primary teacher representatives

Amira Mattar (AM) Westwood CP School, Buckley,

Primary headteachers Federation

Simon Piercy

Presbyterian Church of Wales

Rev Huw Powell Davies

Education Representatives

Vicky Barlow (VB), Senior Manager School Improvement

Also in attendance- Kim Brookes, Senior Manager, Education & Youth (Clerk); Maureen Potter (MP) Democratic Services Clerk

MP confirmed meeting being recorded. CM welcomed colleagues to the meeting.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from John Morgan; Claire Homard

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - CODE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT CONDUCT

JD regarding her current work on professional learning at agenda item 5. Elected members who were school governors.

3. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 7 OCTOBER 2021

Agreed as a correct record. No matters arising

4. MEMBERSHIP AND TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE NEW STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL

KB advised that Wales Government guidance not yet available on the terms of reference arrangements for the new Standing Advisory Council. Members may wish to comment on any proposed changes to the working arrangements for the committee such as tenure of office and rotation of chair. Arrangements may have to be considered regarding any changes to the Council's constitution committee on numbers of elected members.

Agreed: Members to wait until guidance available on new membership before considering any amendments to the working arrangements. VB advised that guidance has been promised by the end of the year but that it may be helpful to have a presentation from the Wales Humanist Coordinator who has been meeting with other SACREs.

Agreed: an invitation to a future meeting from the Wales Humanist Coordinator. Cllr CB proposed that consideration be given to other groups/societies. VB advised that she was looking at data from national statistics to inform the type of representation that best reflects the area.

5. PROFESSIONAL LEARNING – RVE PROFESSIONAL LEARNING DEVELOPMENT TEAM

VB reported that WASACRE are working on developing RVE professional development resources on behalf of WG looking and expressions of interest sought from 10 practitioners to join the working group. Bilingual resources developed in the Spring Term and distributed via HwB.

In response to Cllr CB, VB advised that the practitioners are an additional resource across Wales and will be supported by RE advisors. Whilst positive that additional funding has been made available, the working group will be monitored by WASACRE who may wish to apply for further funding as necessary.

JD confirmed the approach is also in addition to the Church in Wales practitioners who are also developing resources for the framework and acknowledged the additional resources from WG. She encouraged practitioners to join the group as a good professional development opportunity.

6. AGREED SYLLABUS CONFERENCE 2022

VB confirmed WASACRE advice to adopt local syllabuses by September 2022 with the National Advisory Panel for RE looking at guidance for SACREs on how to put a syllabus together. VB proposed that we start with a working group to prepare a draft, after the meeting on the 9 February with a further date to sign off.

Agreed to open the conference following the meeting on the 9 February 2022

7. <u>AUTUMN TERM WASACRE MEETING (23RD NOVEMBER 2021)</u>

VB noted that whilst much of the regular work of the Committee such as receiving Estyn reports and school performance data had not been possible recently, she thanked members who had represented the authority in the WASACRE conference. Clirs-DM: MP and CMc.

Of particular note at the Conference was the Chair's reflections which provided a positive start to the meeting. Presentations were received from regional Consortia which although demonstrated different models of approach but pleased to report from the North region that local SACRE's remain active.

8. DRAFT ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2020/21

VB confirmed that it is still a requirement to produce an annual report to submit to WG by the end of the year.

Action: VB to prepare final draft on membership and work of the SACRE this year and send to members with any comments via the Chair.

Action: Chair to write the Foreword for the Report.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from WASACRE advising of the professional development opportunities. No other business

10. FUTURE MEETINGS

Future meetings of Flintshire SACRE will be held at 4.00 pm on:

Wednesday 9th February 2022 Wednesday 8th June 2022

The Meeting ended 16.33

