

FLINTSHIRE SACRE COMMITTEE
10 OCTOBER 2018

Minutes of the meeting of the SACRE Committee of Flintshire County Council held on the 10 October 2018

ELECTED MEMBERS:

Councillors: Chris Bithell (CB), Ian Roberts (IR)

LA REPRESENTATIVES:

Claire Homard –Chief Officer (Education and Youth) (CH)

RELIGIOUS DENOMINATIONS:

Delyth Mcintyre (DM)

Roz Williams, Director of Education & Lifelong Learning, Diocese of St Asaph (RW)

Gareth Wyn Jones (GJ)

TEACHER REPRESENTATIVES

Ibad Hussain (IB)

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Kim Brookes – Senior Manager Business Support (KB) Clerk;

Alison Butler – Interim LA Curriculum Adviser (AB)

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Following opening period of reflection DM welcomed colleagues to the meeting. It was agreed to proceed with the meeting for information as the membership was not quorate. CH proposed given the outdated terms of reference for the committee that a revised draft be tabled at the next meeting. Consideration also to be given to future timing of meetings to assist schools with cost of supply cover and to ask Headteacher Federations to nominate teacher representatives.

Action:

To propose revised terms of reference at next meeting. To note next meeting to commence at 4.00pm at Ysgol Maes Garmon and a rota of locations between Council and schools.

2. APOLOGIES

Cllrs Dave Mackie and Paul Cunningham

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None reported

4. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 13 June 2018 were submitted.

Matters arising:

CH reported that as Phil Lord was returning to his role with GWE, she would be undertaking the role as statutory Adviser to the Committee in the interim. The Authority's School Improvement Adviser when appointed, would then fulfil the role.

Page 3 - CH to follow up any Estyn reports highlighting compliance with statutory requirements for collective worship. RW also reported that she was seeking clarity from Estyn on their criteria for judgements.

Page 4 – it was noted that the resources at A level are available in English and Welsh.

Page 5 – resolutions at a and b to be actioned by CH.

Action :

Page 6 – RW advised that any wider belief representation on the committee be within the religious statutory guidance

5. DRAFT FLINTSHIRE SACRE ANNUAL REPORT 2017-18

The report was noted although a number of members had not received completed copies with their notice of meeting.

Action:

CH: full report to be brought forward at next meeting.

6. ANALYSIS OF INSPECTION REPORTS

AB confirmed that a review of recent Inspection reports showed that schools were making reference to spiritual; ethical and moral beliefs of pupils and therefore SACRE could be confident that schools are meeting their statutory requirements.

Action.

Report to be brought forward to next meeting.

7. CURRICULUM FOR WALES UPDATES – LED BY ALISON BUTLER

Following presentation by AB feedback was sought from individuals as to the proposed Humanities areas of learning. RW encouraged group discussion and feedback on the current Wales Government consultation on key themes. Final response needed by Wales Government on 16 November. Group discussion on governor training on the new curriculum; monitoring of compliance in schools.

8. QUESTIONS AND FEEDBACK REQUEST FROM WELSH GOVERNMENT ON SACRE WORKSHOP

Deferred

9. WASACRE

It was noted that the WASACRE minutes had also not been included with the notice of the meeting.

Action:

CH to raise with the Committee Services Section. Apologies to be sent from group for meeting of the 20 November

10. FUTURE MEETINGS

Wednesday 20 February 2019 - 4.00 pm at Ysgol Maes Garmon, Mold, tbc

Wednesday 12 June 2019

Meeting ended 4.20pm