

## **HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

### **Report**

<b>Committee/Panel:</b>	Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education (SACRE)
<b>Date:</b>	29 June 2021
<b>Title:</b>	SACRE Membership Report
<b>Report From:</b>	<b>Director of Children's Services</b>

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### **Purpose of this Report**

1. The purpose of this report is to inform members who has been appointed to sit on Hampshire SACRE

### **Recommendation(s)**

2. That SACRE notes the report and that there are still vacancies for Roman Catholic, United Reformed Church and Church of Latter-Day Saints members of Group A.

### **Executive Summary**

3. This report lists all those who are members of SACRE in the respective groups, as appointed at the County Council AGM on 27 May 2021.
4. Contextual information

The following representatives have been appointed to SACRE. However, it is noted here that as yet, it has not been possible to find representatives from the Roman Catholic or Church of Latter-Day Saints or the United Reformed Churches:

**Group A:**

Sheikh Fazle Abbas Dato – Muslim Representative  
Danny Habel – Jewish Representative  
Charmian Harrison – Methodist Representative  
Chris Hughes – Fellowship of Independent Evangelical Churches Representative  
Yasmeen Hussain – Muslim Representative  
Elizabeth Jenkerson – Baha'i Representative  
Rhian Jones – Salvation Army Representative  
Sushma Sahajpal – Hindu Representative  
Eli Stewart – Baptist Union Representative  
Lisa-Marie Taylor – Buddhist Representative  
Noel Thorpe-Tracey – Society of Friends Representative  
Harjinder Virdee – Sikh Representative  
*Vacancy* – Roman Catholic Representative  
*Vacancy* – The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints  
*Vacancy* – United Reformed Church representative

**Group B – Church of England:**

Reverend Jeff Williams	Maria Ackland
Reverend Howard Wright	Rob Sanders (deputy)
Sue Bowen	

**Group C – Teachers' Liaison Panel:**

Maureen Barnes	Graeme Rowe
Carson Elday (Special Schools)	Rachel Jackson (deputy)
Julie Kelly	Jon Hamer (deputy)

**Group D – Councillors**

Councillor Elaine Still - Chairman  
Councillor Prad Bains - Vice-Chairman  
Councillor Chris Donnelly  
Councillor Wayne Irish  
Councillors Roz Chadd and Pal Hayre (Conservative substitutes)  
Councillor Jackie Porter (Liberal Democrat substitute)

**Members Co-opted by SACRE:**

Gill Heron – Academy Representative  
Chris Robinson – Humanist Representative  
Dr Rhiannon Love – Higher Education Representative  
Dr Alasdair Richardson – Higher Education Representative  
James Pitkin – Governor Representative

**5. SACRE Members Training**

There is a Joint SACRE agreed syllabus revision meeting taking place on 14 July from 09.00-12.30pm. All members of SACRE are invited to attend to find out more about the current revisions but will need to book by emailing Sue Butler to be added to the list.

There is a training session for all new members of SACRE, and for any who wish for an update, on Monday 13 September 2021 from 9am – 12.pm. It is expected that all SACRE members should have undertaken the training. This will be a virtual meeting.

**REQUIRED CORPORATE AND LEGAL INFORMATION:**

**Links to the Strategic Plan**

<b>Hampshire maintains strong and sustainable economic growth and prosperity:</b>	yes
<b>People in Hampshire live safe, healthy and independent lives:</b>	yes
<b>People in Hampshire enjoy a rich and diverse environment:</b>	yes
<b>People in Hampshire enjoy being part of strong, inclusive communities:</b>	yes

## **EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT:**

### **1. Equality Duty**

The County Council has a duty under Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 ('the Act') to have due regard in the exercise of its functions to the need to:

- Eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation and any other conduct prohibited by or under the Act with regard to the protected characteristics as set out in section 4 of the Act (age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation).
- Advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic within section 149(7) of the Act (age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation) and those who do not share it.
- Foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic within section 149(7) of the Act (see above) and persons who do not share it.

Due regard in this context involves having due regard in particular to:

- The need to remove or minimise disadvantages suffered by persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic that are connected to that characteristic.
- Take steps to meet the needs of persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic that are different from the needs of persons who do not share it.
- Encourage persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic to participate in public life or in any other activity in which participation by such persons is disproportionately low.

### **2. Equalities Impact Assessment:**

- (a) SACRE's core business is to ensure high quality religious education in Hampshire which, it is intended, will make a positive difference to the way young people 'think speak and act in the world' (See purpose statement of Living Difference III 2016, the agreed syllabus for religious education in Hampshire).