



## Torbay SACRE Minutes

18<sup>th</sup> October 2019

Agenda Item	Comments	Action
<p><b>1</b></p>	<p><b><u>Welcome and apologies for absence</u></b></p> <p>It was acknowledged that this meeting was quorate.</p> <p>Corrine welcomed everyone to the meeting.</p> <p>Apologies were received from Mr Yousif Al-Nassar, Mr Phillip Mantell,, Cllrs Darling and Brown, Mrs Clare Bird, Jeremy Roberts, Debbie Horn and Penny Rouvas</p> <p><b><u>Attendees:</u></b></p> <p><b>Chair        Mrs Corrine Guntrip (NATRE)</b>  <b>Advisor:    Mr. Ed Pawson</b></p> <p>Group A - Mr Bill Becher (Quaker)                     Mrs Carly Watson</p> <p>Group B - Mrs Angela Sumner                     Mrs Charlotte Caluori</p> <p>Group C - Corrine Guntrip</p> <p>Group D - Sue Moses (Local Authority Clerk to                     SACRE)</p> <p>Group 4    Cllr Hazel Foster                     Cllr Cordelia Law                     Co-opted    Maia Miller                     members</p>	
<p><b>2</b></p>	<p><b><u>Minutes of previous meeting</u></b></p> <p>The minutes of the last meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2019 were agreed to be a true record of the meeting. Amendments were made to the spelling of Mrs Sumner's name and Kevin Dixon's surname. Actions will be discussed in today's agenda.</p> <p>It was agreed and seconded that the minutes were signed off.</p>	



3	<p><b><u>Items requiring urgent attention</u></b> Nothing was brought to the Chair's attention</p>	
4.	<p><b><u>Torbay SACRE Membership</u></b> Ed reported that there were few vacancies on the Torbay SACRE membership. He said that he had contacted South Devon College for higher education representation, however has not received a response back. Maia said she would feedback to Ed some suggested names for higher education representation.</p> <p>It was agreed that a practicing teacher should be sought.</p> <p>The meeting talked about the importance of bringing balance to the membership with the right skills and knowledge.</p> <p>It was agreed that any teacher representation should comply with certain criteria to ensure that the right skills sets are used to attract the right fit within the membership.</p> <p>Charlotte questioned why a humanist representative was being pursued when previously it had been agreed to not invite humanist representation to SACRE.</p> <p>Corinne and Ed updated the meeting on the recent changes following the release of the report by the Commission on RE (September 2018) which recommended that the title of the subject should be changed from RE to Religious and Worldviews.</p> <p>Corinne said that within the teaching of the new Torbay RE syllabus children are taught to be inclusive and have representations of world views.</p> <p>Ed said that Keith Denby was the humanist representative for Devon SACRE and leader nationally and that any humanist representation should be channelled through him. He reported that Wales have fully embraced the commissioning recommendations.</p> <p>It was agreed that a further discussion was needed on the Commission's recommendations/changes and Keith will be asked to forward a case for humanist representation on SACRE. This will be tabled for the next agenda.</p>	



	<p>Ed reported that NASACRE had been unhappy with the commission report which might lead to the loss of Local Authority support for SACREs.</p> <p><b><u>Election of New Chair</u></b>          Corrine explained that since changing her job role she is finding it difficult for her to provide cover for her to attend SACRE meetings. She asked that another Chair be nominated in view of her constraints and who would be more flexible in their availability to attend meetings.</p> <p>Ed asked if anyone would be willing to volunteer for the role of Chair. There were no volunteers at today's meeting and this will be an agenda item at the next meeting.</p> <p><b><u>Future Meeting Dates</u></b>          The meeting considered the future meeting dates and talked about the merits of having the meetings on a Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday morning which would allow more people to attend.</p> <p>The meeting noted Yousif's request for meetings not to be arranged on Fridays.</p> <p>It was agreed to change the Fri 5<sup>th</sup> June meeting to a <u>Tuesday</u>. Sue will look at the future dates for 2020 to ensure that are not on a Friday.</p>	
<p>5.</p>	<p><b><u>Agreed Syllabus Update</u></b>          Ed reported that the launch of the new syllabus early in June was well received by teachers. Corinne said this has been welcomed by schools and was very clear and coherent.</p> <p>Members recognised that the RE Syllabus meets the new Ofsted Framework requirement. This will enable schools to demonstrate intent, implementation and impact in RE.</p>	
<p>6.</p>	<p><b><u>Raising the Profile of RE, Collective Worship and SACRE in Torbay</u></b>          See item 8</p>	
<p>7.</p>	<p><b><u>Monitoring RE provision in schools and exam feedback</u></b></p>	

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	<p>Ed reported that he does not yet have the school data and will feedback the GCSE results at the next meeting.</p> <p>The meeting recognised that there was a lack of RE provision in school curriculums and the importance of keeping schools informed about the new Ofsted Framework.</p> <p>Corrine informed the meeting about the 3 I's stated in the new Ofsted Framework about schools having to demonstrate and evidence intent, implementation and impact in curriculum subjects including RE. She said Inspectors will be questioning teachers on what is the intent for the subject and pupil, ask teachers to explain how they are delivering the subject; what is the impact of assessments on identifying disadvantaged pupils progress against other children. She explained that the Senior Leadership Team of a school will carry out deep dives which will scrutinise specific areas i.e. maths.</p>	
8.	<p><b><u>Reviewing Guidance on Collective Worship</u></b></p> <p>Ed confirmed that he is setting up a working party across Devon, Torbay and Plymouth to review the guidance for church schools around collective worship. He reported that some headteachers are not comfortable with the lack of guidance about parent requests for collective worship not to take place. Councillor Law said on her visits to schools (Paignton Community College and Ellacombe Church School) she will raise the concern with them.</p>	
9.	<p><b><u>Learn Teach Lead RE Updates</u></b></p> <p>Ed reported that the conference at St Mellion last week attracted 100 teachers and was attended by a number of teachers from Torbay. There was no secondary representation from Torbay.</p> <p>Corinne said that Torbay and South Devon College continue to meet together. She said that she is intending to do a presentation on the 3 Is in November.</p>	
10.	<p><b><u>National Developments: Ofsted and RE</u></b></p> <p>Ed talked about ...</p> <p>... the way the new Ofsted framework will bring a new focus onto the teaching of a broad and balanced curriculum in schools. This will mean that inspectors will be paying far more attention to specific subjects in the timetable, including RE. Schools will be expected to provide a much more detailed rationale for the way they teach RE, it's place in the curriculum and the impact this learning makes on the pupils' personal and academic development.</p>	

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<b>11.</b>	<p><b><u>Interfaith Week and Holocaust Memorial Day Planning</u></b></p> <p>Ed circulated the Torbay Interfaith Forum programme for 2019 and Torbay Faith and Belief Forum programme 2020. These programmes run throughout the year and many interesting speakers. He said that the Holocaust Memorial Planning Day 2020 <b>events for schools</b> will take place in January in Exeter</p>	
<b>12.</b>	<p><b>SW SACRE Conference</b> Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March – Bill, Maia and Cllr Law are interested in attending.</p>	
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<b>14.</b>	<p><b><u>Future SACRE Meetings</u></b></p>	

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#### Action List

Agenda item	Action
Minutes	MP Engagement – future agenda item for 2020
Membership	Ed to write to South Devon College for post 16 representation at SACRE Bill to send Ed contacts details for Dr Kevin <b>Dickson</b> and Father Peter March to join SACRE
Apologia: the purpose of SACRE	Ed to follow up attending the schools TASH and TAPS meeting to raise RE profile in schools. Debbie will talk to Rachael Williams about arranging this
SACRE Development plan	Ed to reword 1A to say 'monitoring and conversations with focussed visit with all schools' ED will agenda 'Collective Worship' for next meeting of SACRE
Teacher Training through Worldviews	Ed to invite Ruth Flanagan, ITE tutor to give a presentation on Teaching Training through Worldviews in October's meeting
Interfaith Developments	Ed and Bill to talk about publishing a newsletter to schools about interfaith week and how schools could book a guest speaker to attend a session at their school.

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