

Nottinghamshire County Council SACRE Meeting

Underwood C of E Primary Notts
Wednesday 10 July 2024

Groups meet at 6.15pm -6.45pm

Full SACRE at 7.20 pm – 8.15 pm

Present	Representing
Alan Darlington	D Methodist Church
Bryony Charnock-Walmsley	NCC
Caroline Hornsby	D Roman Catholic
Clare Stones	D Baptist
Cllr Sam Smith	A Council
Cllr Richard Butler	A Council
Craig Moxham	B Church of England
Denis Hill	D Church of Latter Day Saints
Graham Jennings	D United Reformed Church
Godfrey Nix	D Ba'hai
Ian Coles	C Teacher
Jon Hoover	C Nottingham University
Kate Charlesworth	B Church of England
Megan Brooksby	B Church of England
Naomi Posner	D Jewish Faith
Puail Singh Pur	D Muslim Faith
Sally MacDonald	Secretary
Tim Hutchings	C Nottingham University
Val Jones	NCC/minuter
Will Richardson	D Humanist UK

1. Welcome, refreshments and presentation.

Boyd Elliott was stuck in traffic so Graham Jennings chaired the meeting, vice chair Gemma Pettifor had already sent in apologies. Graham welcomed everyone to the meeting including Cllr Sam Smith and Claire Stones at this their first meeting.

Underwood governors Catherine and Rachel chose to sit in the meeting to observe. A lovely presentation was delivered by Underwood staff introduced by headteacher Ian Baxter and the children sang for the group. Graham thanked Ian and the children and staff for their hospitality.

2. Apologies & Membership

Apologies received from Dr Anne Lumb, Bethan Inglis, Dr Rathod, Irfan Malik, Gemma Pettifor, Joy Buckley, Sue Craven, Mike Follen, Pearl Day, Yousaf Arif

Minutes of the previous meeting

Minutes agreed to be a true record of the last meeting. Graham thanked Sally and Val for their work on preparing minutes and the agenda. Sally received correction of Humanist title now to be Humanists UK, will amend the constitution. It was also noted that our SACRE groups are different to other SACREs, discussed but agreed all happy to leave the groups as they stand.

Sally and Caroline attended NASACRE conference in May.

Letter drafted in March, Sally sent to Rushcliffe MP James Nash. Suggested others do the same in their areas.

3. Matters Arising - Nothing noted

4. Development Plan – nothing to add

5. NASACRE conference report and training update

Caroline spoke enthusiastically about the NASACRE conference held in York she attended with Sally. Rachel de Souza spoke about talking to children to ask what they want to shape their future. Lat Blaylock said we should all be activists, make a multifaith culture. Sally talked about having a children's SACRE conference. Graham recalled we had several children's conferences at the Holocaust centre led by Lat Blaylock several years ago but not had one for some time now. Sally to look into whether we can organise another children's conference. Also perhaps an art competition for Notts schools? Kate said we could be inundated so perhaps limit to one or two per school? Caroline said they already do spirited art in school. A good way of putting RE in the curriculum. Richard Butler said it could be hosted at County Hall or in the new building . Suggestion of a moving exhibition around the county? We should feed into not take away from existing spiritual art. Sally said we could turn some into postcards, need to think about prizes, funding from LA? Sam mentioned divisional funds which councillors have that they could use to fund if requested. Graham said we need to look carefully and put on the next agenda.

ACTION: to put on the agenda for November meeting.

6. Monitoring:

- Analysis of Ofsted reports in Nottinghamshire
- Engagement record

7. Budget update

Sally confirmed SACRE received £10K budget allocation, although not clear how this is being used. Sam offered to take this up to find out more.

ACTION: Sam to investigate SACRE funding

8. Training Record

Will to mention webinar at the RE network and email Sally the details. New SACRE members can receive online induction, Sally to provide details.

9. SACRE Survey to schools

Sally reported 67 schools have responded already. Headteacher emails to remain confidential and to take out before report summary.

10. National Updates: -

Sally and Bryony to examine the RE toolkit over the summer.

11. Local Developments

Summary of RE teacher's network and SACRE conference provided by Sally. Sally has booked Lat already for next year's conference. Bryony and Sally presented at the last senior leader briefing to highlight SACRE and collective worship.

NASACRE updates

NASACRE suggested sending model letter to MPs. Sally said perhaps now the election is over for sending to MPs elected – strike while the iron is hot as the saying goes.

12. Meetings of SACRE 2024-2025

Tuesday 26 November Hucknall Church – Sally to email to confirm

Thursday 27 February 2025 – Nottingham Central Library – Joint meeting with City Sacre

Wednesday 2 July 2025 Holocaust Centre TBC

Meeting closed 8.30pm