



**Meeting of Wirral SACRE**

**Held at Wirral Grammar School for Boys**

**20<sup>th</sup> September 2017 at 4pm**

**Present:**

Rachel Razbully (Chair)	Group C
Zoe Abernethy	Group A
Paul Barrett	Group A
Councillor Wendy Clements	Group D
Francine Foster	Group B
Councillor Paul Hayes	Group D
Ian McKenzie	Group B
Helen O'Brien	Group A
Stephanie Wilson	Group C

**In attendance:**

Marion Landor, RE Advisor  
Janet Sherlock, Clerk to Wirral SACRE

**Guests:**

**Apologies:**

Steven Baker	Group C
Dianne Clark	Group C
Councillor Moira McLaughlin	Group D
Councillor Bernie Mooney	Group D

The meeting started at 4pm

	Agenda Item	Resolved/Action	Action By whom
1	<p><b>Welcome and Apologies for Absence</b></p> <p>Mrs Rachel Razbully welcomed members to the meeting, including new member Ms Stephanie Wilson from Gilbrook School.</p>	Attendance and apologies were received and accepted by the members.	
2	<p><b>Minutes of the previous meeting - Wed 10<sup>th</sup> May 2017</b></p> <p>The minutes from the meeting had been circulated in advance.</p>	The minutes were agreed as a true and accurate account by members present. Proposed by Ms Helen O'Brien, seconded by Mrs Rachel Razbully.	
3	<p><b>Wirral SACRE website</b></p> <p>Mrs M Landor and Ms H O'Brien showed the new Wirral SACRE website <a href="http://www.wirralsacre.co.uk">www.wirralsacre.co.uk</a> and gave a brief overview of the available content. Mrs Landor stated that the website was a huge step forward. Mrs Landor explained that the six religions on the syllabus are included on the website along with the festivals calendar; information about other religions is available on <a href="http://www.reonline.org.uk">www.reonline.org.uk</a>.</p> <p>Ms Stephanie Wilson spoke about her work on the Twitter feed @WirralSACRE. Ms Wilson explained that it was a mini news bulletin where schools could interact, swap ideas and share resources; if members wish to add items to the feed they can contact her directly.</p> <p>Mrs Landor stated that she would give any feedback to the website designer, Simon Wright. Mrs Razbully suggested that Mr Wright be asked as the speaker for the next meeting. Mrs Landor agreed to contact him to ask if he would be available and to confirm any costs involved.</p> <p>Councillor Wendy Clements suggested that Mrs Landor ask if Mr Wright could do some additional work to make the website mobile-friendly, as many users may access the site this way.</p> <p>Mrs Razbully pointed out that currently nothing happens when clicking on the symbol for each religion, so perhaps links could be generated to specific material.</p> <p>Mrs Landor suggested that a current list of members could be added to the website.</p>	<p>Ask Simon Wright if he would be willing to speak at the next Wirral SACRE meeting</p> <p>Give feedback to Simon Wright re making website mobile-friendly.</p> <p>Give feedback to Simon Wright re generating links to material.</p> <p>Look into adding list of members to website.</p>	<p>ML</p> <p>ML</p> <p>ML</p> <p>ML</p>

<p>4.</p>	<p><b>Wirral Agreed Syllabus Review</b></p> <p>This item was carried forward from the previous meeting.</p> <p>Mrs Landor stated that the main change would be in assessment.</p> <p>Ms Francine Foster stated that it was difficult to assess RE, as it is a qualitative subject where appreciation is important rather than simply knowledge.</p> <p>Mrs Landor stated that there should be a</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Primary Working Party</li> <li>• Secondary Working Party</li> <li>• Assessment Working Party (for primary, secondary and SEND)</li> </ul> <p>Mrs Landor added that the time allocated for the review was until November 2018.</p> <p>Mrs Razbully will contact Mrs Coleen Hibbard and others to arrange a meeting with a provisional date of Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October.</p> <p>Ms Foster reminded members that Mrs Sue Talbot had agreed funds to supply cover which were to be held in the budget of New Brighton Primary School. Mrs Razbully will contact Mrs Sue Talbot for details of using the budget allocation.</p>	<p>Arrange meeting re planning and budget allocation</p> <p>Contact Mrs Sue Talbot re use of budget allocation</p>	<p>RR</p> <p>RR</p>
<p>5.</p>	<p><b>Updates and Feedback about Events</b></p> <p><b>Holocaust memorial</b></p> <p>Mrs Landor noted that there were three possible dates for the Holocaust Memorial; these were Mon 29 January, Tuesday 30 January and Thursday 1 February. Mrs Landor added that she would like to avoid the Monday date if possible, as the weekend presents difficulties if there are last-minute issues. Mrs Landor will inform members of the date as soon as a speaker has been confirmed.</p> <p>Mrs Landor asked whether school governors should be invited to the event and members agreed that this was a good idea. Mrs Landor will email Ms Jane Owens who produces the governor newsletter to advise that the event is forthcoming.</p> <p><b>Interfaith</b></p> <p>Mrs Razbully stated that one of the aims of Wirral SACRE is to improve social cohesion and suggested that a whole-day interfaith event could be organised. Mrs Landor suggested referring to Mrs Joy Schmack who may have the necessary insight. Mrs Landor asked if WYC could be involved and Ms Zoe</p>	<p>Confirm date of Holocaust Memorial</p> <p>Email Jane Owens re including upcoming Holocaust Memorial in Governor Newsletter</p> <p>Keep as agenda item going forward</p>	<p>ML</p> <p>ML</p> <p>JS</p>

	<p>Abernethy agreed that potentially this was a possibility. Mrs Razbully suggested inviting Frank Field MP.</p> <p>Mrs Razbully asked how the success of the event would be measured, as outcomes would be more qualitative than quantitative; a reduction in the number of racist incidents would be one positive outcome.</p> <p>RR suggested that this could be encouraged further if Wirral SACRE put itself forward as support for RE in schools; a reminder of statutory requirements could be added to the website, together with links to support access to the relevant information. Ms S Wilson stated that this could be used across the whole syllabus and not just for RE, as she has had success using drama and playing games.</p>	Add reminder of Statutory Requirements and support links to website.	ML
<b>6.</b>	<p><b>Items of Correspondence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An email was received and forwarded to members about Interfaith Week 12 -19 November 2017</li> <li>• New NASACRE log-in details for the year were received and forwarded to members</li> <li>• Information received from Muslim Learner Services was added to the Wirral SACRE website</li> <li>• Mrs M Landor responded to an email concerning an audit of SACRE members.</li> <li>• Wirral SACRE member Saifullah Syed invited members to a celebration for Eid at Birkenhead central Mosque.</li> </ul> <p>Matt Fairhead has left Wirral SACRE as he is no longer a youth worker at St Andrew's in Bebington.</p>		
<b>7.</b>	<p><b>Keynote Speaker – suggestions for the next meeting</b></p> <p>Mrs Rachel Razbully suggested Simon Wright, Wirral SACRE website designer, for the next meeting.</p>	Contact Simon Wright	ML
<b>8.</b>	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p>None.</p>		
<b>9.</b>	<p><b>Dates, times and venues of next meetings</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2018 4-6pm at Holy Cross, Woodchurch</li> <li>• Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2018 4-6pm at Gilbrook School, Woodchurch</li> </ul>		

The meeting closed at 5.25pm

**Signed by: Chair** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Group A Christian &amp; Other Religious Denominations Other than Church of England</b>		
<b>Church/Group</b>	<b>Name</b>	
Free Churches	Helen O'Brien	
Roman Catholic	Elaine McGunigall	
Jewish Faith		<i>Vacancy</i>
Chinese/Vietnamese		<i>Vacancy</i>
Muslim	Saifullah Syed	
Muslim	Ibrahim Syed	
Sikh		<i>Vacancy</i>
Hindu		<i>Vacancy</i>
Buddhist		<i>Vacancy</i>
British Humanist		<i>Vacancy</i>
Wirral Youth for Christ	Zoe Abernethy	
Wirral Youth for Christ	Paul Barratt	
<b>Group B Church of England Representatives</b>		
	Francine Foster	
	Rev Ron Iveson	
	Ian McKenzie	
	Joy Schmack	
	Claire Marrin	
	Anna Keegan	
<b>Group C Teacher Representatives</b>		
ASCL	Mr R S Duggan (St Anselm's College)	
WHAT	Coleen Hibbard (New Brighton Primary School)	
WTP	Jinny Lewtas	
WTP	Rachel Razbully (Wirral Grammar for Boys)	
	Steven Baker (Aspire Schools Federation)	
	Dianne Clark (Aspire Schools Federation)	
	Stephanie Wilson (Aspire Schools Federation)	
<b>Group D Local Authority Representatives</b>		
<b>Conservative</b>	Councillor Paul Hayes	
<b>Conservative</b>	Councillor Cherry Povall	
<b>Conservative (Deputy)</b>	Councillor Wendy Clements	
<b>Labour</b>	Councillor George Davies	
<b>Labour</b>	Councillor Moira McLaughlin	
<b>Labour</b>	Councillor Bernie Mooney	
<b>Labour</b>	Councillor Walter Smith	
<b>Labour (Deputy)</b>	Councillor Phill Brightmore	
<b>Labour (Deputy)</b>	Councillor Brian Kenny	
<b>Labour (Deputy)</b>	Councillor Julie McManus	