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Appendix 1



5 February, 2007

Ms Rebecca Thomas,  
Secretary,  
S.A.C.R.E.,  
C.C.B.C.

Dear Rebecca,

Further to our telephone conversation of today I am sending the letter regarding our proposed schools work. The original letter was sent to a Kath Wall as I had been informed that she was the secretary.

I am writing to you to inform S.A.C.R.E. about the work of *Valley's Pregnancy Support: a Christian perspective*. We are a newly established group offering the provision of education regarding marriage, and chastity outside of the marriage bond, from a Christian perspective. Our full aims are as follows: -

To demonstrate the love of God and His compassion through;

1. Pregnancy crisis counselling
2. Post-abortion support and counselling
3. Support throughout pregnancy
4. **Providing education that promotes sexual abstinence outside of marriage, enabling fully informed choices.**

Whilst we are still in the initial stages of providing this marriage and celibacy teaching in schools, those leading such lessons would be qualified teachers and the lesson format is a 'tried and tested' one. The lesson format is based around a power-point resource which has been developed and used in English schools by 'Lovewise' (an established educational Christian charity). The presentation is aimed at the 14-16 year old age group and takes two sessions to complete. The material covered in the resource includes the following: -

- the upholding of the God-given boundaries for sex
- the encouragement for pupils to aspire to marriage and parenthood
- the consideration of the consequences of sex outside marriage
- holding out God's offer of forgiveness and a fresh start
- practical advice on how to avoid sexual intimacy.

We would like to be able to take this presentation into schools in the borough, so that the children will have information to make fully informed choices. We hope that by letting the SACRE know about our work that you will be able to inform schools that we are able and willing to help them in this area of the curriculum.

We would be pleased to come and show you what the presentation involves, at a time convenient for you. We can be contacted on 01443 873235.

I would be grateful for any feedback regarding this letter, and look forward to hearing from you.

Yours, sincerely,

*Edwina Cutler*

MRS. E. CUTLER  
Secretary of Valleys Pregnancy Support: a Christian perspective