

## **CAERPHILLY COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**REPORT TO:               STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**DATE:                     13TH MARCH 2018**

**SUBJECT:                CORRESPONDENCE UPDATE**

### **A       PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To provide an update on the correspondence received by Caerphilly SACRE and sent out to schools on behalf of Caerphilly SACRE. This includes the circulation of the guidance document "Managing the Right of Withdrawal from Religious Education" which has been published by the Wales Association of SACREs (Standing Advisory Councils on Religious Education).

### **B       BACKGROUND**

1.       Members are asked to note that following requests from schools, the Wales Association of SACREs has published a guidance document: *Managing the Right of Withdrawal from Religious Education*. This copyrighted document is being provided free of charge to all schools in Wales and the Clerk to Caerphilly SACRE has arranged for a hard copy to be sent to all schools across the county borough.

Included in the document pack to schools is a questionnaire from WASACRE regarding withdrawal from Religious Education. Schools have been asked to return the completed questionnaire to the Clerk to Caerphilly SACRE by 31st March 2018 so that these can be forwarded to WASACRE.

2.       A verbal update on other correspondence will also be provided at the meeting.

### **C       RECOMMENDATION**

For Caerphilly SACRE to note the details of the correspondence update.