CAERPHILLY COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT TO:	CAERPHILLY STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL ON RELIGIOUS
	EDUCATION

DATE: 23RD OCTOBER 2019

SUBJECT: SACRE MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

A PURPOSE OF REPORT

To discuss the current membership of Caerphilly SACRE and to inform SACRE of recent membership requests received.

B BACKGROUND

All Local Authorities have a statutory duty to constitute a SACRE within their local area.

Representation on SACRE is required as follows:

- (i) Such Christian and other religious denominations as, in the opinion of the Local Authority, will appropriately reflect the principal religious traditions in the area;
- (ii) Associations representing teachers;
- (iii) The Local Authority.

The current membership list showing the position as of August 2019 is attached at Appendix 1. The following progress has been made to date in filling vacancies and an update will be given at the meeting: -

Committee A vacancies

Free Church representative – By way of the nomination received through Cytun from the Free Church Council of Wales, Mr Michael Gray (The Methodist Church) has been appointed to fill this vacancy.

Salvation Army representative – By way of the nomination received through The Salvation Army, Major Paula Hubbard has been appointed to fill this vacancy.

Non-religious group representative – By way of the nomination received through Wales Humanists, Mr Ken Chamberlain has been appointed to fill this vacancy.

Non-Christian faith representative – work is ongoing to fill this vacancy.

Committee B vacancies

There are 4 vacancies across this group - NASUWT (2 places), National Education Union (NUT Section) (1 place) and Association of School and College Leaders (1 place). Work is continuing with the relevant unions to fill these places.

Co-opted vacancies (2 places for youth representatives)

At the Summer Term meeting of Caerphilly SACRE, it was agreed for nominations for the coopted places to be sought via the Caerphilly Youth Forum. The Chair to Caerphilly SACRE (Cllr John Taylor) was invited to a meeting of the Youth Cabinet on 1st October 2019 to speak to its members about the work of SACRE. An update will be given at the Autumn Term meeting of SACRE.

C RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. That SACRE note the details of the current membership and vacancies, and the progress made to date in filling any vacancies.
- 2. That the Clerk to SACRE continues to contact the appropriate people or organisations to ensure vacant places are filled.

D SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Appendix 1 Current Caerphilly SACRE Membership as of August 2019

CAERPHILLY SACRE MEMBERSHIP UPDATE AS OF AUGUST 2019

CHRISTIAN AND OTHER RELIGIOUS DENOMINATIONS - COMMITTEE A

Mr Martyn Western (Roman Catholic Archdiocese) Mrs Enfys Hawthorn (United Reformed Church) Mrs Janet Jones (Church in Wales) (SACRE Vice-Chair) Major Paula Hubbard (The Salvation Army) – replaced Captain Di-Palma June 2019 Mr Michael Gray (The Methodist Church) – replaced Rev Eryl Williams June 2019 Mr Ken Chamberlain (Wales Humanists) – appointed August 2019

Vacancy - non-Christian faith group/religion – approved by Council Oct 2018

TEACHERS ASSOCIATIONS - COMMITTEE B

Primary Schools

Mrs Tara Lloyd (NAHT) Ms Meinir Jones (UCAC)

Secondary Schools

Miss Helen Bartley (ATL)

Vacancy - NUT Representative Vacancy - ASCL Representative Vacancy - Mrs Laura Strange (NASUWT Representative) resigned March 2019 Vacancy - Second NASUWT Representative - approved by Council Oct 2018

THE LOCAL AUTHORITY - COMMITTEE C

Councillor Mrs E.M. Aldworth Councillor J. Ridgewell Councillor Mrs G.D. Oliver Councillor Mrs T. Parry - replaced Councillor Mrs M.E. Sargent on SACRE May 2019 Councillor J. Simmonds Councillor J. Taylor (SACRE Chair)

CO OPTED MEMBERS

Two vacancies - held for youth representation on SACRE

OFFICERS

Mr Paul Warren (CCBC Strategic Lead for School Improvement) Ms Paula Webber (EAS - RE Advisor to Caerphilly SACRE)

CLERK TO SACRE

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