Nottinghamshire County Council Joint SACRE Meeting
13 July 2026
St Andrew's Primary Skegby
6pm – 7.45pm

Present	Representing
Ambrish Tiwali	A Hindu faith
Bethan Inglis	C Secondary Teacher
Bryony Charnock-Walmsley	NCC
Cllr Simon Wright	D Council
Cllr Rory Green	D Council
Cllr Darro Darrington	D Council
Craig Moxham	B Church of England
Denis Hill	A Church of Latter Day Saints
Graham Jennings	A United Reformed Church
Godfrey Nix	A Ba'hai
Gurjeet Singh	A Sikh
Ian Coles	C Primary Teacher
Mary Moran	C Secondary Teacher
Naomi Posner	A Jewish
Sara Klapkowski	B Church of England
Sally MacDonald	Secretary
Val Jones	NCC/minuter
Will Richardson	A Humanist UK

1. **Welcome and introduction**
   Simon welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked everyone to introduce themselves. Sara then introduced St Andrew's lovely presentation produced by the children from St Andew's. In response SACRE members thanked them by video for Sara to play to them when in school.

2. **Apologies & Membership**
   Apologies received from Yousaf Arif, Jason McMahon-Riley, Ian Young, Louisa Newton, Mike Follen, Pearl Day, Megan Brooksby, Kate Charlesworth.
   Megan Brooksby is retiring from SACRE in Group B, she was thanked for her valuable contribution over the years.
   Pearl Day is also retiring from Group C as she is retiring from her job, but she would love to continue on SACRE so it was agreed that she would take Megan's role in Group B.

3. **Minutes for the previous meeting**
   Minutes agreed to be a true record

4. **Matters arising not itemised below**
   No matters arising noted

5. **Agree Syllabus for 2026**
   - Confirmation of Nottinghamshire's acceptance of new Agreed Syllabus for information and formal minuting
     Graham noted that page 9 still included Bolsover which is part of Derbyshire which he asked to be removed earlier. As not statutory can the online syllabus be amended? Sally said the syllabus had now been agreed with both Councils

Action: Sally said she would look into the Bolsover line being removed.

- Feedback from the syllabus launch on 17 June
  Rory said it was an outstanding day, the stalls preceding the conference room was a great idea, the room was packed and Lat was phenomenal. Craig said it was a high quality event with great attendance. It was agreed that teachers looking for Christianity resources for teaching, would be signpost to the diocese. Also, the teacher feedback asked for mixed age planning which would be difficult to do as some schools had different mixed classes. Also referenced resources, the more the better. Ian said the day was fantastic, not sure how many had seen the syllabus prior to the launch. Teachers requesting more curriculum information but the syllabus purpose is not for providing a curriculum.
- Collaboratory project with University of Nottingham.
  Sally said that Tim Hutchins has secured funding to increase Alice's time with the Collaboratory project.

6. Monitoring:

- **Ofsted reports for 2026 /2027**

It was noted that comments about RE only ever appear in the personal development section of Ofsted reports, it is never looked at as a curriculum subject. This is something that SACRE should monitor in the future, particularly if RE becomes a National Curriculum subject. Sally encouraged SACRE members to respond to the consultation on this when it appears around September.

7. Review and update of SACRE Effectiveness/Development Plan 2022-2027

- This is here for reference only – it will need updating next year

8. Local & National Developments

- The NASACRE news website has lots of useful information for SACREs. and will have the link to the consultation when available. Also endorsed the government's assurance to support the role of SACREs in the future.
- RS resources summer news was sent with the agenda
- Naomi said the BBC are repeating the programme on Judaism which is very good on 26 July.
- Graham represented Notts SACRE at the Interfaith network meeting. A lot of people feel that the interfaith week is committed to continue. The network suggested that our faith communities do not communicate very well. In one example the Islamic faith felt that they had acted quickly to condemn events from those who they felt were not representing Islam well, but it was felt that Christians were not as quick to do this about events where the perpetrators were Christian. Simon suggested Notts SACRE start up a multi faith workshop to get local faiths together, he is willing to book a room at County Hall and provide tea and scones. Graham agreed a good move as County Hall would be seen as neutral ground. Also might help to recruit SACRE vacancies?

ACTION Simon and Graham to liaise a date and time to set up the workshop and invite representatives to attend.

- Infographic on role of SACREs by NASACRE

Sally sent this useful document for everyone as a summary of the role of SACREs

9. Local faith and world views groups news and events

Sally informed the group Louisa offered Jubilee House in Southwell for SACRE meetings, provisional dates discussed. Graham asked if the joint SACRE meetings can continue especially in

view of the upcoming local reorganisation it would be prudent to be more in line with each other? Heidi has now retired, Sally to enquire with the new secretary.

Bryony presented Sally with card and gifts for her retirement thanking her for her very valuable contribution to Notts SACRE. Mary is also retiring and she was thanked for all her years on SACRE. Val is also retiring and was thanked for her admin work with SACRE.

Meeting finished at 7.45pm