

**Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education
10th July 2013**

Report of the Deputy Chief Executive and Director of People

Applications for variation of practice

1 Purpose of Report

1.1 To consider any applications for variation of practice to religious education and or collective worship.

2 Summary

2.1 Upon receipt of a written application from a Headteacher of a county school SACRE should determine whether it is appropriate to disapply the requirement for broadly Christian collective worship and/or make amendments to the way the Agreed Syllabus is followed in the case of that school.

3 Recommendation

3.1 That members of SACRE are updated on any new developments in this area.

4 Background

4.1 No applications have been received at this time.

4.2 Members may wish to begin thinking about potentially offering different models for schools to follow in order to meet statutory requirements for Religious Education. The Agreed Syllabus is two years away from review and with the current changes in education policy it may be timely to begin thinking ahead.

5 Equal Opportunities

5.1 This report has been prepared in accordance with the County Council's policies on equal opportunities.

6 Financial implications

6.1 There are no immediate financial implications

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