Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education 21st June 2017

Report of the Deputy Chief Executive and Director for Families and Communities

Tell MAMA update

1 Purpose of Report

1.1 To consider any issues arising from the Tell MAMA item raised at the 9th November SACRE meeting. https://tellmamauk.org/geography-anti-muslim-hatred-2015-tell-mama-annual-report/

2 Summary

- 2.1 The Tell MAMA Annual Report was launched in Parliament on 29th June this year. It highlights hate crime against Muslims in the UK. The report, entitled: The Geography of Anti-Muslim Hatred, looked at where Muslims reported hate crime against them. A number of interesting things were revealed:
 - The majority of hate crimes were directed at women who were visibly Muslim
 - The majority were perpetrated by white males
 - The majority occurred on or near an A Road or transport hub
- 2.2 11% of attacks were in places of education. In relation to this, one of the comments in the report is: It is important that headteachers, teachers, and safeguarding leads in schools are trained to deal with Islamophobia and anti-Muslim hate (page 29).
- 2.3 SACRE decided to ask the local authority what further action is being taken considering the report.

3 Recommendation

- 3.1 That members hear from Alison Johnson/Deb Barnes, Inclusion and Wellbeing Teacher Consultants, who will share information relating to procedures followed in Staffordshire when schools' report racist incidents.
- 3.2 That members read the response provided by Gill Heath, Cabinet Member for Communities and the Environment.

4 Background

4.1 No further response has been made.

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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