

## Minutes

### HILLINGDON STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL ON RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

19 July 2017

Meeting held at Committee Room 4 - Civic Centre,  
High Street, Uxbridge UB8 1UW



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	<p><b>Committee Members Present:</b> Alison Rollin, Melanie Dring MA BA(Hons) PGCE, Councillor Susan O'Brien, Councillor Jagjit Singh, Yasmin Afnan, Gail Butler, Angela Lount, Amir Ahmed (Syed Amir Ahmed) and Naseem Bint Amir</p> <p><b>Also Present:</b> Elenor Paul and Duncan Struthers (HSACRE Advisor)</p> <p><b>LBH Officers Present:</b> Venetia Rogers (Policy Manager, Education) and Luke Taylor (Democratic Services Officer)</p>
	<p><b>PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS MEETING WAS NOT QUORATE AND THEREFORE NO FORMAL DECISIONS WERE MADE</b></p>
	<p><b>MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEE</b></p> <p>It was confirmed to the HSACRE that the meeting did not have the attendance to make quorum, and therefore no formal decision could be made. It was agreed that the meeting continue and updates be provided on each item, where possible.</p>
1.	<p><b>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING</b> (<i>Agenda Item 1</i>)</p> <p>The minutes of the meeting will be taken to the next meeting.</p>
2.	<p><b>REVISED AGREED SYLLABUS LAUNCH</b> (<i>Agenda Item 2</i>)</p> <p>The advisor to HSACRE ran through the revised agreed syllabus and highlighted the changes that would be made to the document, including the addition of the Humanism.</p> <p>It was confirmed that although the Humanist representative was unable to attend the meeting, he had informed the advisor to HSACRE that he was very supportive of the new syllabus and the Humanist section. HSACRE thanked the Chairman and Ms Paul for their good work and effort in helping piece together the syllabus.</p> <p>HSACRE heard that, following discussions with the Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Education and Children's Services, it was noted that there was no disagreement on the syllabus and it was sent to schools in June.</p> <p>It was noted that further changes were still required, and the Humanist symbol would be an addition to the front page, following consultation with the HSACRE Humanist</p>

representative to agree the symbol used. It was also noted that the Islamic symbol may also need refining as it is currently slightly out of shape.

The advisor to HSACRE is now in discussions with the Communications Team to make the relevant changes to the syllabus. Once confirmed, the syllabus will then be uploaded to the Council website, along with hyperlinks to the relevant religious information so the syllabus can be easily navigated.

It was suggested that the syllabus also be sent out from Education Team in its bi-weekly email to schools, as well as from the Governor Support Service.

The Committee questioned whether it was possible to have a high profile launch for the syllabus locally, including RE coordinators and teachers where possible. Ms Paul noted that she had recently attended a syllabus launch that included RE coordinators, governors and school employees, and believed it was a good way forward and an instant way to get the SACRE message out.

The advisor to SACRE noted that there was now a term to plan for the formal launch of the syllabus. Members noted that they supported the idea, but recognised that there were budget implications for any formal syllabus launch.

It was suggested a small group of HSACRE members may wish to meet to brain storm ideas for such a launch, and that this could be facilitated over the next couple of months.

The meeting, which commenced at 7.10 pm, closed at 7.35 pm.

These are the minutes of the above meeting. For more information on any of the resolutions please contact Luke Taylor on 01895 250693. Circulation of these minutes is to Councillors, Officers, the Press and Members of the Public.