Report to:	SACRE
Relevant Officer:	Amanda Whitehead, Head of Schools, Standards and
	Effectiveness
Date of Meeting:	8 November 2017

JOINT NASACRE/AREIAC EVENT ON THE COMMISSION ON RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

1.0 Purpose of the report:

1.1 To consider the arrangements for Joint NASACRE/AREIAC event on the Commission on RE- Interim report.

2.0 Recommendation(s):

- 2.1 To note the date of the joint NASACRE/AREIAC event in Birmingham on the Commission on Religious Education on Friday 24 November 2017.
- 2.2 To consider if the SACRE wishes to send a delegate to the NASACRE Conference

3.0 Reasons for recommendation(s):

- 3.1 The conference will seek answers to many vital questions regarding the Commission on RE: The Interim Report including what its recommendations might mean for pupils, teachers, advisers and SACREs.
- 3.2a Is the recommendation contrary to a plan or strategy adopted or approved by the Council?
- 3.2b Is the recommendation in accordance with the Council's approved Yes budget?
- 3.3 Other alternative options to be considered:

None.

4.0 Council Priority:

4.1 The relevant Council Priority is

"Communities: Creating stronger communities and increasing resilience"

5.0 Background Information

5.1 The SACRE is a member of the National Association of Standing Advisory Committees of Religious Education (NASACRE). The body has organised an event with the Association of Religious Education Inspectors, Advisers and Consultants to discuss the Interim report of the Commission for Religious Education. The SACRE is asked to consider the attached programme at Appendix xA and determine if it wishes to send a representative to the conference and how that member would report back to the rest of the SACRE. The Commission for Religious Education Interim report and consultation exercise are dealt with elsewhere on the agenda for this meeting.

The Conference provides space to consider:

- What are the key issues the CoRE Interim Report identifies?
- What does the Report say about the evidence that has been presented so far?
- Does the Report comment on the nature or quality of the evidence that the
 Commission has received?
- Is the Commission still looking for additional evidence?
- In the light of the Interim Report what questions would you wish to put to the Commission?

This conference will be of great interest to all SACRE members, RE advisers, RE teachers and anyone interested in the future of RE.

5.2 Does the information submitted include any exempt information?

No

5.3 **List of Appendices:**

Appendix 6a Information on event to be held on 24 November 2017

6.0 Legal considerations:

6.1	None.
7.0	Human Resources considerations:
7.1	None.
8.0	Equalities considerations:
8.1	None.
9.0	Financial considerations:
9.1	None.
10.0	Risk management considerations:
10.1	None.
11.0	Ethical considerations:
11.1	None.
12.0	Internal/ External Consultation undertaken:
12.1	None.
13.0	Background papers: