

Report to:	SACRE
Relevant Officer:	Lennox Beattie, Clerk to the SACRE
Date of Meeting:	7 November 2018

BLACKPOOL SACRE ANNUAL REPORT

1.0 Purpose of the report:

1.1 To consider actions to create the 2017/2018 annual report for the SACRE.

2.0 Recommendation(s):

2.1 To consider the next steps for the writing of the 2017/2018 annual report of the SACRE.

2.2 To appoint a small sub-group to consider developing the next annual report which would report back to future meetings.

3.0 Reasons for recommendation(s):

3.1 To further progress the annual report of the SACRE.

3.2a Is the recommendation contrary to a plan or strategy adopted or approved by the Council? No

3.2b Is the recommendation in accordance with the Council's approved budget? Yes

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 It is a requirement of best practice that SACRE's produce an annual report. In view of the lack of meetings and business of the SACRE over the last few years- this has not taken place. The annual reports for 2015/16 and 2016/17 were completed and submitted in a very basic manner by the clerk and it is considered to be quite out of date. It is suggested therefore that a complete revision is undertaken of the annual report for 2017/18.

5.2 The annual report should include a number of key areas that are required: the Role of SACRE, Religious Education in schools and the Effectiveness and Delivery of the Agreed Syllabus. The Committee's views are requested on any additional information or work to be undertaken in completing the annual report. It may wish to consider areas of information but also focus on how best to ensure the annual report is readable, engaging and relevant. The NASACRE guidance on annual reports may assist members and is attached at Appendix 7a.

5.3 To that end the Committee is requested to agree a small sub-group to complete an update of the annual report for its submission to NASACRE and the Department for Education.

5.4 Does the information submitted include any exempt information? No

5.5 List of Appendices:

Appendix 6(a): Guidance on Annual Reports from NASACRE

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:

13.1 None.