Decision Maker: Standing Advisory Committee for Religious Education

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Decision Type: Non-Urgent  Non-Executive  Non-Key

TITLE: FAITH DIRECTORY

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1. Reason for report

1.1 During the 6 school visits per year SACRE members have been asked for a list of names of people who would speak at collective worship or during RE lessons. Some schools have also asked for information on visits to places of worship.

1.2 The school self evaluation document sent to all schools has a question about support requested from SACRE. The majority of forms returned ask for information on visitors of ‘other faiths’ who would speak.

1.3 It was discussed at the Autumn SACRE meeting that a directory of information for schools would fulfil the need expressed above.

1.4 The chair requested at the Spring meeting that members send a list of volunteers and /or places of worship addresses to the RE consultant by the Summer meeting.

2. RECOMMENDATION(S)

2.1 Members, particularly Committee A, are asked to provide information on places of worship in Bromley and people they know who would be willing to speak to school pupils about aspects of their faith.

2.2 Members to express interest in being part of a working party to complete the faith directory.

Background Documents:
School Self Evaluation Document 2009