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<p><b>1. Engaging with schools</b></p> <p><i>What are some successful ways you connect with your local schools and support their RE?</i></p> <p><b>2. Lack of coherence/ consistency of RE across schools</b></p> <p><i>What are the challenges in keeping contact with schools to monitor their RE?</i></p>		
<p><b>3. Confusion around our role in relation to Academies/ free schools</b></p> <p><b>4. The decline of RE in Academies &amp; free schools</b></p> <p><b>5. Engaging with Academies to develop better working relationships</b></p> <p><i>How do you work with Academies? How do you know what schools are providing in RE when there is such a range of types of school? How do you keep contact with schools to monitor RE, when we have less resource and such a range of non-LA maintained schools?</i></p>		

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<b>6. Sharing good practice across SACREs</b>  <b>7. Encouraging collaboration / sharing of resources with neighbouring SACREs eg sharing adviser, CPD and clerk</b>  <i>What examples of collaboration or partnership can you share? How effective are they? What barriers were there?</i>		
<b>8. Need to promote importance of RE in schools and with LAs and DfE</b>  <i>How do you raise the profile of RE with local partners and communities in your area?</i>		
<b>Other Areas of Challenge</b>  <i>Any other challenges that are particular priorities for your SACRE either as current issues or successes to share with others?</i>	<b>Solutions/Suggestions</b>	