THE CITY OF NEWPORT SACRE

DATE: 14 JUNE 2018

REPORT TO: STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

PURPOSE: CPD FOR RE TEACHERS IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Background

The RE curriculum is locally determined by the local authority and its SACRE. This means that SACRE can advise and support the teaching of RE in schools.

At its autumn 2017 meeting it was brought to the attention of Newport Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education (SACRE) that there are limited opportunities for teachers of RE to gain any form of professional development in the subject. SACRE agreed to contact schools for expressions of interest in forming a professional network in order to share ideas and resources, discuss any concerns they have and to use it as a medium of sharing good practice. SACRE agreed to organise the first meeting for secondary schools and that schools thereafter would be responsible for organising future meetings.

7 secondary schools responded and signed up for the CPD session

Date: Wednesday 13 June 2018

Venue: Caerleon Comprehensive School

Time: 2.00pm-4.00pm

Focus: GCSE issues and the sharing of resources

Enquiries are still being made about acquiring a source of funding form the Culham St Gabriel Trust for CPD in RE for both primary and secondary teachers. This would require considerable organising through a co-ordinator who would submit the bid and organise training opportunities. This is ongoing.

RECOMMENDATION

SACRE to note and discuss the report