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County Hall
Rhadyr
Usk
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Tuesday, 3 September 2024

Notice of meeting

Standing Advisory Council for Religion, Values and Ethics (SAC)

Wednesday, 11th September, 2024 at 3.00 pm,
First Floor Meeting Rooms (M1 & M2), County Hall, The Rhadyr, Usk with
remote attendance

AGENDA

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| 5. | WASACRE | |
| | 1. Summer Conference Report | |
| | 2. Other WASACRE Business | |
| 6. | Autumn WASACRE meeting | |
| 7. | Membership Update | 5 - 6 |
| 8. | SAC (RVE) Annual Report | |
| 9. | Any Other Business | |
| 10. | Date of Next Meeting: 18th December 2024 | |

Paul Matthews

Chief Executive

MONMOUTHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
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THE CONSTITUTION OF THE COMMITTEE IS AS FOLLOWS:

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| County Councillor Martyn Groucutt | Lansdown; | Welsh Labour/Llafur Cymru |
| County Councillor Louise Brown | Shirenewton; | Welsh Conservative Party |
| County Councillor Rachel Buckler | Devauden; | Welsh Conservative Party |
| County Councillor John Crook | Magor East with Undy; | Welsh Labour/Llafur Cymru |
| County Councillor Paul Pavia | Mount Pleasant; | Welsh Conservative Party |
| County Councillor Angela Sandles | Magor East with Undy; | Labour and Co-Operative Party |

Representing the Church in Wales (1)

Vacancy

Representing the Roman Catholic Church (1)

Vacancy

Representing Free Churches (4)

Baptist Church: Revd. J. Greaves
Vacancy (Salvation Army)
Vacancy: Methodist Church
Presbyterian Church: Mrs. S. Gooding

Representing the Bahá'í Faith (1)

Mrs S. Cave

Representing the Buddhist Faith (1)

Vacancy

Representing the Hindu Faith (1)

Vacancy

Representing the Jewish Faith (1)

Vacancy

Representing the Sikh Faith (1)

Vacancy

Representing the Muslim Faith (1)

Maddie Saraireh

Representing Non Religious Philosophical Convictions

Vacancy

Representing the Teachers Associations (7)

5 x Vacancies

Mrs S. Hamer

Mrs C. Rhodes

Co-opted Members (2)

Vacancy

Vacancy

R.E Advisor

Hayley Jones (EAS)

Representing Chief Officer, Children and Young People

Sharon Randall-Smith

Public Information

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Welsh Language

The Council welcomes contributions from members of the public through the medium of Welsh or English. We respectfully ask that you provide us with adequate notice to accommodate your needs.

Aims and Values of Monmouthshire County Council

Our purpose

- to become a zero-carbon county, supporting well-being, health and dignity for everyone at every stage of life.

Objectives we are working towards

- Fair place to live where the effects of inequality and poverty have been reduced;
- Green place to live and work with reduced carbon emissions and making a positive contribution to addressing the climate and nature emergency;
- Thriving and ambitious place, where there are vibrant town centres and where businesses can grow and develop
- Safe place to live where people have a home where they feel secure in;
- Connected place where people feel part of a community and are valued;
- Learning place where everybody has the opportunity to reach their potential

Our Values

Openness. We are open and honest. People have the chance to get involved in decisions that affect them, tell us what matters and do things for themselves/their communities. If we cannot do something to help, we'll say so; if it will take a while to get the answer we'll explain why; if we can't answer immediately we'll try to connect you to the people who can help – building trust and engagement is a key foundation.

Fairness. We provide fair chances, to help people and communities thrive. If something does not seem fair, we will listen and help explain why. We will always try to treat everyone fairly and consistently. We cannot always make everyone happy, but will commit to listening and explaining why we did what we did.

Flexibility. We will continue to change and be flexible to enable delivery of the most effective and efficient services. This means a genuine commitment to working with everyone to embrace new ways of working.

Teamwork. We will work with you and our partners to support and inspire everyone to get involved so we can achieve great things together. We don't see ourselves as the 'fixers' or problem-solvers, but we will make the best of the ideas, assets and resources available to make sure we do the things that most positively impact our people and places.

Kindness: We will show kindness to all those we work with putting the importance of relationships and the connections we have with one another at the heart of all interactions.

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MONMOUTHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Standing Advisory Council for Religion, Values and Ethics (SAC) held in the Council Chamber, County Hall, The Rhadyr, Usk with remote attendance on Wednesday, 12th June, 2024 at 3.00 pm

PRESENT: COUNTY COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

County Councillor Martyn Groucutt (Chair)
County Councillor Louise Brown
County Councillor John Crook
County Councillor Paul Pavia

FAITH AND BELIEF REPRESENTATIVES

Revd. J. Greaves
Sue Cave
Maddie Saraireh

TEACHER REPRESENTATIVES

Charlotte Rhodes

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

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| Geraint Edwards | Solicitor |
| Hayley Jones | Curriculum Partner (SACs and RVE) |
| Richard Williams | Democratic Services Officer |

APOLOGIES:

County Councillors: Rachel Buckler and Angela Sandles.
Sharon Randall-Smith and Wendy Barnard.

1. **Confirmation of the appointment by Council of the Cabinet Member for Education as Chair of SAC**

The appointment by Council of the Cabinet Member for Education as Chair was noted.

2. **Appointment of Vice Chair**

We appointed County Councillor Louise Brown as Vice-Chair.

3. **Declarations of Interest**

None received.

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4. To note the record of previous meetings:

The record was confirmed as accurate for the following meetings:

- 13th March 2024.
- 4th June 2024 (Recruitment Panel).

5. Membership

The appointment of new members to the Standing Advisory Council for Religion, Values and Ethics (SAC) was discussed.

It was noted that two applications for Non-Religious Philosophical Convictions and Free Church Council vacancies had been approved and that the recommendations will be presented to Full Council for formal appointment.

6. EAS and Central Consortium Resources (Hayley Jones)

We received an update by the RVE Advisor regarding the EAS and the Central Consortium Resources.

We resolved that the RVE Advisor distributes the bilingual Power Points and recordings of the Professional Learning Sessions to Democratic Services to be circulated to SAC members.

7. WASACRE Business

We received and noted the following WASACRE Business:

- WASACRE AGM Agenda.
- WASACRE draft AGM minutes – 19th June 2023.
- Nominations for WASACRE Executive Committee Election (Information only).
- Autumn Term WASACRE Meeting: Monmouthshire County Council to host.

In doing so, the following points were noted:

- Monmouthshire County Council will host the Autumn term WASACRE Meeting and preparations for this are progressing.
- It is anticipated that a Monmouthshire School will be invited to share good practice.
- The Autumn Term WASACRE Meeting will be held fully remotely via Zoom to support the Welsh translation.

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8. Any Other Business

None.

9. Dates of Meetings 2024/25

The following dates were confirmed:

- 11th September 2024.
- 18th December 2024.
- 19th March 2025.

The meeting ended at 3.37 pm.

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SACRE/SAC

Membership (September 2024)

| NAME | Confirmation to continue |
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| County Councillors (6) | |
| CC M. Groucutt | |
| CC A. Sandles | |
| CC P. Pavia | |
| CC L. Brown | |
| CC R. Buckler | |
| CC J. Crook | |
| Representing the Church in Wales (1) | |
| Vacancy | |
| Representing the Roman Catholic Church (1) | |
| Refer to Archdiocese | |
| Representing the Free Church Council (4) | |
| Vacancy – Jenni Brews awaiting ratification by full Council | |
| Suzanne Gooding (Presbyterian Church) | 16 th April 2024 |
| Rev. J Greaves (Baptist Church) | 27 th March 2024 |
| Vacancy (Nick Pryor -Salvation Army) Salvation Army declined to nominate | |
| Representing the Baha'i Faith: | |
| Mrs. S. Cave | 27 th March 2024 |
| Representing the Buddhist Faith: | |
| Vacancy | |
| Representing the Hindu Faith: | |
| Vacancy | |
| Representing the Jewish Faith: | |
| Vacancy | |
| Representing the Muslim Faith: | |

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| Maddie Saraireh | |
| Representing the Sikh Faith: | |
| Vacancy | |
| Representing Non-religious Philosophical Convictions (1) | |
| Vacancy – Phillip Middleton awaiting ratification by Full Council | |
| Representing Teachers Associations (7) | |
| Vacancy | |
| Vacancy | |
| Vacancy | |
| Vacancy | |
| Vacancy | |
| Charlotte Rhodes | 28 th March 2024 (also happy to let someone else have a turn) |
| Mrs. S. Hamer | 9 th April 2024 |
| Co-opted Members (2) | |
| Vacancy | |
| Vacancy | |
| RVE Adviser | |
| Hayley Jones | |
| Representing Chief Officer, Children and Young People | |
| Sharon Randall-Smith | |