

Tuesday, 11 March 2025

Notice of meeting

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

Wednesday, 19th March, 2025 at 3.00 pm,
Council Chamber, County Hall, The Rhadyr USK

AGENDA

Item No	Item	Pages
1.	Welcome and Apologies	
2.	Declarations of Interest	
3.	To note the record of the previous meeting held on 11th September 2024	1 - 4
4.	Membership Update	5 - 6
5.	To receive an update from the EAS RE Adviser including:	
5.1.	EAS Professional Learning	
5.2.	WJEC Qualifications GCSE Religious Studies Made for Wales Discussion around Sample Assessment Materials (SAMs)	
5.3.	Bangor University: Report on the teaching provision of Religion, Values and Ethics in Schools in Wales (April 2024) https://www.bangor.ac.uk/sites/default/files/2024-09/report-RVE.pdf	
5.4.	The Teacher Voice Project: RVE in the Curriculum for Wales The Teacher Voice Project: RVE in the Curriculum for Wales	
5.5.	Feedback to schools on Census (faith and belief)	

6. WASACRE Business**1. WASACRE business**

- i. To receive and note draft minutes from the WASACRE virtual meeting November 2024. (attached)
- ii. To note dates of future WASACRE meetings and confirm representation:
 - Spring Meeting – Virtual on 6th March 2025 , 10.30am (agenda attached)
- iii. Nominations for new members of the WASACRE Executive Committee - Monmouthshire SAC's representative's term of office ending. (Papers attached).
- iv. Important information from WASACRE:
 - E mail from A.Parry/L.Jones.
 - Letter to Chair of WASACRE.
 - Expenditure: WASACRE Conference – June 2024.
 - Adnodd and Miller Research Correspondence.
 - SACRE Annual Reports.
 - Revised draft Code of Conduct for WASACRE.

7. To consider creating an Action Plan

- i. Target – setting and priorities
- ii. How to monitor and provide feedback on Collective Worship
- iii. Resources for schools for Non-Religious Philosophical Conviction (NRPC) beliefs.

8. Dates and venues of future meetings:

11th June 2025 at 3.00pm
 10th September 2025 at 3.00pm
 3rd December 2025 at 3.00pm
 4th March 2026 at 3.00pm

Paul Matthews

Chief Executive

MONMOUTHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
CYNGOR SIR FYNWY

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE COMMITTEE IS AS FOLLOWS:

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)

Revd. J. Greaves

Vacancy

Vacancy

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)

Mrs C. Rhodes
6 x Vacancies

Co-opted Members (2)

Vacancy
Vacancy

R.E Advisor

Hayley Jones (EAS)

Representing Chief Officer, Children and Young People

Sharon Randall-Smith

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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.

