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#### Minutes of the meeting of Standing Advisory Council for Religion, Values and Ethics (SAC) – Recruitment Panel pre-meeting held at Remote Meeting on Monday, 26th February, 2024 at 12.30 pm

**PRESENT:** County Councillors: Jill Bond, Louise Brown, Rachel Buckler, Paul Pavia and Angela Sandles

### **OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Sharon Randall-Smith	Head of Achievement and Attainment
Wendy Barnard	Democratic Services Officer
Geraint Edwards	Solicitor

#### APOLOGIES:

County Councillor Martyn Groucutt

#### 1. Discussion on how the recruitment panel will operate

Following approval of the report entitled Membership of the Standing Advisory Council (SAC) and Future Recruitment Arrangements at a Special meeting of SAC on 7<sup>th</sup> February 2024, the LA representatives met to discuss future arrangements for the recruitment of Faith and Belief representatives. The following points were agreed:

- Recruitment Panel to consist of Chair, Vice Chair, and one from each of the two largest
  political groups from the current SAC membership with named substitutes allowed. It
  was agreed:
  - i) Cllr Angela Sandles to represent the Labour Group with Cllr Bond as substitute.
  - ii) Cllr Pavia to represent the Conservative Group with Cllr Buckler as substitute.
  - iii) Quorum: 3
- Letter to be sent to Town and Community Councils to seek expressions of interest in Faith and Belief representative vacancies.
  - i) Sharon Randall-Smith to forward a draft of an advert to recruit LA Governors to Cllr Louise Brown to adapt and circulate to all present today to confirm the contents. Clerk to send the letter.
- It was decided that the completed application form can be validated by the organisation the applicant represents by an email to either Wendy or Sharon. The form and e mail to be considered by the panel.
- Application Form to be amended to ask if the applicant resides or works mainly in Monmouthshire. Clerk to check if the applications already received cover this point.
- The panel will meet once the town and community councils have had opportunity to contact faith and belief organisations in the local area so should meet before the June meeting/after the March meeting.
- Discussion on Current Members to be an item on the next SAC meeting agenda.

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The meeting ended at 1.28 pm