



## **Agenda**

**Meeting** North Yorkshire Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education (SACRE)

**To:** Councillors Alyson Baker (Chair), Robert Heseltine, Janet Jefferson, Simon Myers, Annabel Wilkinson, Professor John Adams, Tara Askew, Sarah Beveridge (Vice-Chair), Hayden Cohen, Chris Devanny, Sarah Hodgson, Abhijeet Kulkarni, Nasr Moussa Emam, Mohinder Singh Chana, Reverend Claire Soderman and Lee Talbot.

**Date:** Tuesday, 9 December 2025

**Time:** 4.00 pm

**Venue:** Hybrid meeting held via Microsoft Teams, and in person at County Hall, Brierley Room.

### **Business**

1. **Welcome and Announcements**

2. **Apologies for Absence**

3. **Minutes of the Meeting held on 30 September 2025** (Pages 5 - 8)

Members to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 30 September 2025 as an accurate record.

4. **Declarations of Interest**

5. **Public Participation**

Members of the public may ask questions or make statements at this meeting if they have given notice to Edward Maxwell, Clerk to North Yorkshire SACRE (contact details below) by midday on Thursday 4 December, three working days before the day of the meeting. Each speaker should limit themselves to 3 minutes on any item. Members of the public who have given notice will be invited to speak:

- at this point in the meeting if their questions/statements relate to matters which are not otherwise on the Agenda (subject to an overall time limit of 30 minutes);
- when the relevant Agenda item is being considered if they wish to speak on a matter which is on the Agenda for this meeting.

If you are exercising your right to speak at this meeting, but do not wish to be recorded, please inform the Chair who will instruct anyone who may be taking a recording to cease while you speak.

- 6. Member Training - NASACRE Handbook (Pages 9 - 26)**  
To receive a training session on the newly updated NASACRE handbook.
- 7. Update from Professional RE Adviser - Curriculum and Assessment Review (Pages 27 - 28)**  
To receive an update on the outcome of the Government's Curriculum and Assessment Review Final Report, issued in November 2025.
- 8. SACRE Annual Report (Pages 29 - 48)**  
Members to consider the 2024/25 Annual Report of the North Yorkshire SACRE for approval.
- 9. Update by the Local Authority (Pages 49 - 52)**  
To inform Members on work undertaken by the Local Authority since the last SACRE meeting
- 10. SACRE Development Plan 2024-26 (Pages 53 - 58)**  
Members to review and comment on the SACRE Development Plan 2024-26.
- 11. Date of Next Meeting**  
The next meeting of the SACRE will take place on Tuesday 21 April 2026, at 4:00pm. It will be a hybrid meeting, held in The Brierley meeting room, County Hall, Northallerton.

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Monday, 1 December 2025

**MEMBERSHIP OF THE STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL ON  
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

<b>Group A: Faith Groups</b>	
Professor John Adams	Humanist
Sarah Beveridge	Society of Friends
Hayden Cohen	Judaism
Chris Devanny	Catholic
Mayan Leadley-Yoward	The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints
Abhijeet Kulkarni	Hindu
Nasr Moussa Emam	Muslim
Mohinder Singh Chana	Sikhism
<i>Vacancy</i>	Methodist
<i>Vacancy</i>	Baptist
<i>Vacancy</i>	Salvationists
<i>Vacancy</i>	Buddhist
<b>Group B: Church of England – (Two each nominated by the Anglican Diocese of Leeds and the Diocese of York)</b>	
Claire Soderman	
Lee Talbot	
<i>Vacancy</i>	
<i>Vacancy</i>	
<b>Group C: Teaching Associations</b>	
Mary-Lou Byrne	
Sarah Hodgson	
<i>Vacancy</i>	
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<b>Group D: Local Authority:</b>	
Councillor Alyson Baker	
Councillor Robert Heseltine	
Councillor Janet Jefferson	
Councillor Annabel Wilkinson	
Councillor Simon Myers	
<b>Co-opted Member: Academic Expertise in Religious Education</b>	
<i>Vacancy</i>	