



Pan- Berkshire SACRE hub - Agenda

21st January 2019

Wokingham Council Offices

16.00 – 17.30

Present: Karen Butler (RBWM), Stephen Vegh (Wok), David Taylor (W Berks), Beth Rowland (Wok), Christine Isles (Slough), Sue Elbow (Slough)

Apologies: Gareth Barnard (BF), Michael Freeman (Reading)

Advisers: David Rees, Anne Andrews

1. Notes of last meeting:

- Actions arising: Have chairs checked websites for syllabus? - All SACRE websites have a link to the new syllabus present – Bracknell Forest also has the Crossing the Bridges materials present – this was agreed as a desired outcome – SACREs to follow up.
 - SACRE feedback concerning finding a designated person to help with Crossing the Bridges information in their areas - discussions have been held in some SACREs but no actual rep has been found – other SACREs will discuss this at the next round of meetings
- Updated budget circulated – Questions and discussion about the value of the Hub – Wokingham representatives questioned whether the hub was value for money and if some tasks should be completed by admin staff – AA & DR explained the situation concerning time already used – progress was checked in relation to the Action plan. The future of the hub was discussed in relation to the Westhill bid

2. Progress report and presentation of guidance material to date.

Action required: Decision about how and where to publish the material

- AA & DR outlined the progress so far - AA distributed examples of work from teachers at 2 network meetings – these were discussed – Progress from the meeting earlier in the day with 4 KS1-3 teachers was described – completed templates will be circulated for comment, editing etc
- SV to offer alternative to the KS3 activity on the Sample Questions Document.

3. What next with the guidance?

Action required: Decisions about other elements required and who will do this

- the process is bearing fruit but results will need to be distributed and added to – having a central location for the syllabus guidance material was seen as an essential step forward – AA will approach the Oxford diocese as this area encompasses all the Pan Berks SACREs – a decision would need to be made about how the material is uploaded, edited and monitored – every step has a financial consideration. At the moment there is no holding site for the new material
- AA will also approach NATRE to see if they could host the materials

4. Westhill Bid – Further funding for Crossing the Bridges project and extension



Action required: Agree a title for the project, discuss the rationale and decide who will complete the paperwork - Closing date is 31st March – AA would like to finish the bid by 14th Feb as many other commitments are looming

- AA explained the process so far and time needed to complete the bid – AA has half a day set aside and a part of the budget to fill in the form – 23 Jan 2019
- Members expressed a desire for Crossing the Bridges to be refreshed with a designated person tasked and incentivised to encourage more engagement – like Catherine Jinkerson did with the original project. Efforts have been made to ask SACREs to help with this role but it seems a designated person is more likely to bear fruit. If the hub continues next year this is seen as a priority.
- AA asked for help with the name and focus of the bid – the discussion led to the following suggestions
 - Pay for some teachers to meet out of school to develop sample plans linking places of worship in the directory to the syllabus questions and outcomes
 - Pay for some teachers to meet at a place of worship with worship leaders and film some short answers to the Key Questions from the new syllabus – some practicalities were discussed - including cost implications and filming suggestions – name of project to reflect this – along the lines of 'Real People Real faith'

Beth Rowland to enquire into the cost of professional filming services to gain a baseline cost of the project

5. A.O.B

- Will the Hub continue? If so, would another Autumn conference be desirable? Brief discussion about the future of the hub – future will need to be discussed in the next round of SACRE meetings as funds will be drawn from next financial year budget
- Next Meeting Monday 13th May at Wokingham Council Offices – 4.15-5.30pm. This meeting will be chaired by AA

Meeting closed at 5.40pm