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1. Engaging with schools		
What are some successful ways you connect with your local schools and support their RE?		
2. Lack of coherence/ consistency of RE across schools		
What are the challenges in keeping contact with schools to monitor their RE?		
3. Confusion around our role in relation to Academies/ free schools		
4. The decline of RE in Academies & free schools		
5. Engaging with Academies to develop better working relationships		
How do you work with Academies? How do you know what schools are providing in RE when there is such a range of types of school? How do you keep contact with schools to monitor RE, when we have less resource and such a range of non-LA maintained schools?		



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6. Sharing good practice across		
SACRES		
7. Encouraging collaboration /		
sharing of resources with		
neighbouring SACREs eg sharing		
adviser, CPD and clerk		
What examples of collaboration or		
partnership can you share? How effective are		
they? What barriers were there? 8. Need to promote importance of		
RE in schools and with LAs and		
DfE		
How do you raise the profile of RE with local partners and communities in your area?		
partners and communities in your area:		
Other Areas of Challenge	Solutions/Suggestions	
Any other challenges that are particular		
priorities for your SACRE either as current		
issues or successes to share with others?		

