

# Rutland County Council

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Ladies and Gentlemen,

A meeting of the **RUTLAND SACRE (STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL ON RELIGIOUS EDUCATION)** will be held via Zoom - <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83235135732> on **Tuesday, 12th March, 2024** commencing at **4.30 pm** when it is hoped you will be able to attend.

Yours faithfully

Mark Andrews  
**Chief Executive**

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## **A G E N D A**

### **A MOMENT FOR REFLECTION**

We gather together here today intent on doing good work.

We seek to represent fairly and well, those who have given us this task.

May our efforts be blessed with insight, guided by understanding and wisdom.

We seek to serve with respect for all.

May our personal beliefs give us strength to act honestly and well in all matters before us.

### **1) WELCOME AND APOLOGIES RECEIVED**

### **2) RECORD OF MEETING**

To confirm the minutes of the meeting of the Rutland SACRE held on the 5<sup>th</sup> December 2023.

(Pages 7 - 14)

### **3) ACTIONS FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

No.	Ref:	Action	Allocated to:
1	3	The RE Adviser to finalise and send	<b>Amanda Fitton</b>

		the drafted letter regarding RE teacher recruitment to all Councillors and the local MP with a copy also sent to the Clerk for distribution to the Rutland SACRE members.	
<b>2</b>	3	Following her meeting with the two Secondary Teacher Representatives regarding how their schools were meeting the statutory requirement that all pupils were entitled to religious education at the end of Year 11, the RE Adviser would send a copy of her report to the Clerk for distribution to the Rutland SACRE members.	<b>Amanda Fitton</b>
<b>3</b>	3	A letter from SACRE should be sent to all Rutland schools once the examination data had been verified, to promote the values of religious education and positively influence the decision maker.	<b>Gurdev Singh</b>
<b>4</b>	4b  9	The RE Adviser and the Learning and Skills Service Manager to draft a press statement and send it to the Council's Communications Team via the Clerk for publication.  Quotes from the Ofsted inspection reports regarding the teaching of RE in Rutland schools to be included in the press statement.	<b>Amanda Fitton, Lizzie Papworth, Jane Narey</b>
<b>5</b>	4c	The Learning and Skills Service Manager would produce a matrix of what RE curriculum/syllabus schools were using plus details of the RE lead in each school.	<b>Lizzie Papworth</b>
<b>6</b>	4c	The SACRE sub-group to meet to discuss the following and report back at the next meeting:  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Summarise the content of the Rutland SACRE webpage.</li> <li>➤ Identify how the Rutland SACRE webpage would be maintained.</li> <li>➤ Identify how Rutland SACRE could better communicate/engage with schools.</li> <li>➤ Identify how the Rutland SACRE might better support RE teaching in schools.</li> </ul>	<b>Rutland Sub-Group</b>
<b>7</b>	5	Members to contact the Clerk before	<b>ALL</b>

		the 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2023, with any comments/ amendments to the Annual Report. The Clerk to publish the finalised Annual Report 2022-2023 in January 2024 and submit a copy to NASACRE.	<b>Jane Narey</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	The RE Adviser confirmed that she would contact the leads for the East Anglia and East Midlands RE Hubs and request that Rutland SACRE be included in the East Anglia RE Hub.	<b>Amanda Fitton</b>

**4) SACRE AGREED SYLLABUS SCHOOLS' QUESTIONNAIRE**

To receive the schools' questionnaire from Amanda Fitton, RE Adviser for Cambridgeshire, Peterborough and Rutland County Councils for review and approval prior to it being sent to schools for completion.

**5) SACRE SUB-GROUP: REPORT AND PROPOSED ACTIONS**

To receive a report from Rev. McWhirter to:

- Summarise the content of the Rutland SACRE webpage.
- Identify how the Rutland SACRE webpage would be maintained.
- Identify how Rutland SACRE could better communicate/engage with schools.
- Identify how the Rutland SACRE might better support RE teaching in schools.

**6) SACRE MEMBERS ENGAGEMENT WITH SCHOOLS**

A discussion regarding SACRE members engagement with and attendance at Rutland schools.  
(Pages 15 - 16)

**7) HOUSE OF LORDS: QUALITY OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS IN ENGLAND**

A discussion following the publication of the report from the House of Lords: [Quality of religious education in schools in England](#) on how SACRE could address some of the issues.

**8) RUTLAND RE EXAM RESULTS: VERIFIED DATA**

To receive details of the verified Rutland RE exam results from Elizabeth Papworth, Service Manager – Learning and Skills, RCC.  
(Pages 17 - 18)

## **STANDING AGENDA ITEMS**

### **9) UPDATE ON NETWORK MEETINGS**

To receive an update from Amanda Fitton, RE Adviser for Cambridgeshire, Peterborough and Rutland County Councils.

### **10) TRAINING ATTENDED BY SACRE MEMBERS**

To receive a verbal update from Members of SACRE on any training attended.

### **11) WORK PLAN**

To review/update Rutland SACRE's Work Plan for 2023-2024.  
(Pages 19 - 20)

### **12) ANY URGENT BUSINESS**

### **13) DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> June 2024 at 4.30 p.m.

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## **DISTRIBUTION**

### **MEMBERS OF THE RUTLAND SACRE (STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL ON RELIGIOUS EDUCATION):**

<b>GROUP A – Representatives of faiths (other than Church of England) and worldviews</b>		
1.	Gurdev Singh (CHAIR)	The Sikh Faith
2.	Bjoern Finke	The Roman Catholic Church
3.	Julia Ewans	Humanist UK
4.	Madeleine Gilbert	The Baptist Church
5.	Sheila Gewolb	The Jewish Faith

<b>GROUP B – Church of England Representatives</b>		
6.	Daniel Alfieri	Peterborough Diocese
7.	James McWhirter (Revd) (VICE CHAIR)	Rutland Deanery
8.	Mary-Anne Marples	Peterborough Diocese

<b>GROUP C – Teacher Representatives</b>		
9.	Cara Topping	Primary Teacher Representative
10.	Kieran Hughes	Secondary Teacher Representative

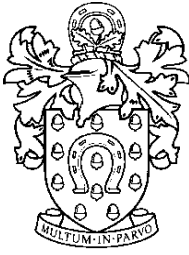
11.	Megan Davis	Primary Teacher Representative
12.	Sam Brooks	Secondary Teacher Representative

<b>GROUP D – Local Education Authority Representatives</b>		
13.	Councillor Christine Wise	Rutland County Councillor
14.	Councillor Steve McRobb	Rutland County Councillor
15.	Councillor Rosemary Powell (SUBSTITUTE)	Rutland County Councillor

**Quorum:** One representative from each group must be in attendance.

<b>Local Education Authority Officers</b>		
16.	Amanda Fitton	RE Adviser, Cambridgeshire, Peterborough and Rutland County Councils
17.	Lizzie Papworth	Service Manager – Learning and Skills, RCC
18.	Jane Narey	Clerk, RCC

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Minutes of the **MEETING of the RUTLAND SACRE (STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL ON RELIGIOUS EDUCATION)** held via Zoom on Tuesday, 5th December, 2023 at 4.30 pm

**PRESENT:**

<b>GROUP A – Representatives of faiths (other than Church of England) and worldviews</b>		
1.	Gurdev Singh (CHAIR)	Sikh Community
2.	Julia Ewans	Humanist UK
3.	Madeleine Gilbert	Baptist Church
4.	Shelia Gewolb	Jewish Community

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12.	Amanda Fitton	RE Adviser, Cambridgeshire, Peterborough and Rutland County Councils
13.	Lizzie Papworth	Service Manager – Learning and Skills, RCC
14.	Jane Narey	Clerk, RCC

**APOLOGIES:**

15.	Kieran Hughes	Secondary Teacher Representative
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**ABSENT:**

16.	Bjoern Finke	Roman Catholic Church
17.	Cara Topping	Primary Teacher Representative

## 1 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES RECEIVED

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from Kieran Hughes.

## 2 RECORD OF MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on the 12<sup>th</sup> September 2023 were approved as an accurate record.

## 3 ACTIONS FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

### Action 1

*It was agreed that the Chair and the SACRE/RE Adviser would write a draft a letter on behalf of the Rutland SACRE to all Councillors and the local MP regarding RE teacher recruitment.*

The RE Adviser confirmed that a letter to all Councillors and the local MP regarding RE teacher recruitment had been drafted but not sent. The letter would be updated and sent with a copy also sent to the Clerk for distribution to the Rutland SACRE members.

**ACTION: Amanda Fitton**

### Action 2

*A further breakdown of the examination results, including destination, cohort size and statistical neighbours' data, would be provided once the examination results were verified.*

The Learning and Skills Service Manager confirmed that the examination data had only just been verified and would be presented at the next meeting.

### Action 3

*The Service Manager also confirmed that a congratulatory letter to the appropriate schools would be drafted on SACRE's behalf and sent to the appropriate Rutland schools once the examination results data were verified.*

Action completed.

### Action 4

*It was proposed that the RE Adviser should meet with the two Secondary Teacher Representatives to discuss how the statutory requirement that all pupils were entitled to religious education to the end of Year 11, was being fulfilled by Rutland schools.*

Action completed. Excellent work was being done at Catmose College and Uppingham Community College. A copy of the RE Adviser's report would be sent to the Clerk for distribution to the Rutland SACRE members.

**ACTION: Amanda Fitton**

### Action 5

*It was proposed that a letter from SACRE should be sent to all Rutland schools once the examination data had been verified, to promote the values of religious education and positively influence the decision maker.*

Action carried forward.

**ACTION: Gurdev Singh**

### Action 6

*The RE Adviser confirmed that the training timetable would be distributed to all schools.*

Action completed.



#### Action 7

*It was agreed that a SACRE sub-group, consisting of Rev McWhirter, Lizzie Papworth, Councillor McRobb, Amanda Fitton and Sam Brooks would identify and clarify SACRE's role and duties for approval at the next meeting.*

Action completed and on the agenda for discussion.

#### Action 8

*The RE Adviser would be meeting with Mary-Anne Marples to discuss what schools actually wanted from the network meetings and the possibility of inter-county meetings with Peterborough and Cambridgeshire.*

*The RE Adviser confirmed that, following the meeting, she would distribute feedback to the Rutland SACRE members for discussion at the next meeting.*

Action completed and on the agenda for discussion.

## **4 SACRE'S ROLE AND ENGAGEMENT WITH SCHOOLS**

### **A) SCHOOLS INSPECTED BY OFSTED**

A presentation was received from Amanda Fitton, RE Adviser which had been included in the agenda pack. During the discussion, the following points were noted:

- Megan confirmed that SIAMs does look at a school's RE curriculum but does not inspect the quality of the RE teaching within a school.
- The Chair requested that a breakdown of the types of schools within Rutland should be included in next year's SACRE annual report.

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Madeleine Gilbert joined the meeting at 5.00 p.m.

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### **B) OFSTED ANNUAL REPORT 2022-23**

A verbal update was received from Amanda Fitton, RE Adviser regarding the recent publication of the Ofsted Annual Report for 2022/2023: [Ofsted Annual Report 2022/23: education, children's services and skills - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/114144/Ofsted-Annual-Report-2022-23-education-childrens-services-and-skills.pdf)

- The main finding of the report was that RE was of poor quality in schools.
- This was not the case in Rutland schools and the quality of RE teaching in Rutland did not follow the trend of that stated in the Ofsted annual report.
- Rutland schools had received no negative comments regarding the teaching of RE in any of this year's Ofsted inspection reports.
- The Learning and Skills Service Manager confirmed that an audit of Rutland's primary schools had been completed regarding the RE curriculum and information on their websites. The results were positive, with evidence of strong practice and all had significantly improved since the previous audit.
- It was agreed that the RE Adviser and the Learning and Skills Service Manager would draft a press statement and send it to the Council's Communications Team via the Clerk for publication.

**ACTION: Amanda Fitton, Lizzie Papworth, Jane Narey**

### C) SACRE SUB-GROUP

A briefing was received from Rev. McWhirter. During the discussion, the following points were noted:

- Following the last meeting, a SACRE sub-group was formed comprising of Rev. McWhirter, Lizzie Papworth, Sam Brooks and Councillor McRobb.
  - The group had met three times to help identify and clarify SACRE's role and duties.
  - The group had distributed a survey to Rutland schools to identify which schools were using the Rutland agreed syllabus.
  - 19 out of the 20 schools replied and it was found that nearly two thirds of Rutland schools were using the agreed syllabus, either partially or in full.
  - The remaining schools used other sources such as the Diocese of Peterborough RE Syllabus and the Northamptonshire County Council's Agreed Syllabus as well as other elements agreed by each school's governing body.
  - An audit was also completed of what RE details primary schools had on their websites (details attached).
  - It showed that schools were getting better at providing more information on their websites regarding RE as there was increasing focus from Ofsted on the planning and teaching of RE in schools.
  - An audit of secondary schools would be completed in the near future and the Learning and Skills Service Manager would produce a matrix of what RE curriculum/syllabus schools were using plus details of the RE lead in each school.
- ACTION: Lizzie Papworth**
- The role and responsibility of a SACRE was detailed in the [Religious Education in English Schools: non-statutory guidance 2010](#) but this has since changed with the introduction of World Views.
  - The sub-group proposed that Rutland SACRE should:
    - Have better links with schools i.e. hold SACRE meetings in schools, meet schools RE leads, view RE lessons, etc.
    - Encourage/identify 'RE champions', who could be promoted throughout Rutland's schools.
    - Develop the Rutland SACRE website to include more information and resources e.g. RE lesson plans, RE points of contact in other schools etc.
  - Members agreed that the SACRE website should signpost people to available resources/information e.g. [NASACRE](#), [NATRE](#), [RE Hubs](#)
  - The RE Adviser informed attendees that links to available resources from the [Religious Education Council](#) were detailed in the Agreed Syllabus.
  - The Clerk informed members that SACRE meetings were formal 'in public' meetings which were governed by procedure rules at which members of the public could observe and/or listen.
  - It was agreed that the SACRE sub-group would meet to discuss the following and report back at the next meeting:
    - Summarise the content of the Rutland SACRE webpage.
    - Identify how the Rutland SACRE webpage would be maintained.
    - Identify how Rutland SACRE could better communicate/engage with schools.

- Identify how the Rutland SACRE might better support RE teaching in schools.

**ACTION: Rutland Sub-Group**

## **5 SACRE ANNUAL REPORT 2022-2023**

The Rutland SACRE Annual Report for 2022-2023 was presented by Gurdev Singh, Chair of Rutland SACRE. During the discussion, the following points were noted:

- Members agreed that they contact the Clerk via email ([democraticservices@rutland.gov.uk](mailto:democraticservices@rutland.gov.uk)), before the 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023, with any comments/amendments to the Annual Report.

**ACTION: All**

- The Clerk would then publish the finalised Annual Report 2022-2023 in January 2024 and submit a copy to NASACRE.

**ACTION: Jane Narey**

## **6 AGREED SYLLABUS**

A verbal update was received from Amanda Fitton, RE Adviser regarding an amendment on Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS). During the discussion, the following points were noted:

- The Agreed Syllabus stated (page 16) that the Early Years Foundation Stage entitlement was a 'minimum of 30 hrs in a school year. Teacher-led activities.'
- This required amending as it should actually state 'Teacher-led and directed activities.'
- The RE Adviser stated that both Peterborough and Cambridgeshire SACRE's had approved the amendment but that Rutland SACRE's approval was required so that the amendment could be made and the Agreed Syllabus re-published.

### **RESOLVED**

That the Rutland SACRE:

- a) **APPROVED** that the Early Years Foundation Stage entitlement detailed in the Agreed Syllabus should be amended to read 'Teacher-led and directed activities.'

## **7 UPDATE ON NETWORK MEETINGS**

An update was received from Amanda Fitton, RE Adviser. During the discussion, the following points were noted:

- The RE Adviser confirmed that she'd had a good meeting with Mary-Anne Marples to discuss what schools actually wanted from the primary network meetings plus the possibility of inter-county meetings with Peterborough and Cambridgeshire.
- The first Primary Network Meeting had been held on the 30<sup>th</sup> November with the theme of 'What are RE leads looking for and time effective ways to teach RE.'
- Other network meetings will be held on the 5<sup>th</sup> March 2024 and the 12<sup>th</sup> June 2024 with the themes 'What are World Views, how to use different approaches in RE' and 'Books vs Floor Books, the evidence trail for RE leads and Ofsted' respectively.
- The Network Meetings flyer would be re-sent to schools in the new year.

- The RE Adviser confirmed that the Primary Network Meetings were free to attend for all Rutland schools.

## 8 TRAINING ATTENDED BY SACRE MEMBERS

- The RE Adviser confirmed that she and Julia Eames had attended the [East Anglia RE Hub](#) meeting as Peterborough SACRE and Cambridgeshire SACRE were both members.
- The meeting had discussed collective worship and the work being done by the different SACREs.
- It was noted that Rutland SACRE was not a member of the East Anglia RE Hub but was a member of the [East Midlands RE Hub](#).
- The RE Adviser confirmed that she would contact the RE Hubs Lead for both areas and request that Rutland SACRE be included in the East Anglia RE Hub.

**ACTION: Amanda Fitton**

## 9 MONITORING OF RE IN SCHOOLS AND OFSTED INSPECTIONS REPORT

A verbal report was received from Lizzie Papworth, Service Manager – Learning and Skills regarding the most recently received Ofsted Inspection Reports received. During the discussion, the following points were noted:

- There were no comments regarding RE in the inspection reports for [Empingham Church of England Primary School](#) and [Casterton College Rutland](#).
- The inspection report for [St Mary and St John CofE VA Primary School](#) had just been published and this stated that ‘Through sensitive teaching, pupils understand that everyone is different but should be treated equally. They deepen their knowledge of a range of faiths and cultures.’
- Councillor Wise proposed that quotes from the Ofsted inspection reports regarding the teaching of RE in Rutland schools should be included in the press statement.

**ACTION: Amanda Fitton, Lizzie Papworth**

## 10 WORK PLAN

The work plan was discussed and updated as follows:

### 12 March 2024 - SACRE Sub-Group: Report and proposed actions

A report from the SACRE sub-group following their meeting(s) to:

- Summarise the content of the Rutland SACRE webpage.
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### 12 March 2024 - SACRE members engagement with schools

A discussion regarding SACRE members engagement with and attendance at Rutland schools.

## 11 ANY URGENT BUSINESS

There was no urgent business.

## 12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

12 March 2024 at 4.30 p.m. via Zoom.

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**The Chair declared the meeting closed at 6.10 pm.**

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## SUMMARY OF ACTIONS

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3	3	A letter from SACRE should be sent to all Rutland schools once the examination data had been verified, to promote the values of religious education and positively influence the decision maker.	<b>Gurdev Singh</b>
4	4b	The RE Adviser and the Learning and Skills Service Manager to draft a press statement and send it to the Council's Communications Team via the Clerk for publication.	<b>Amanda Fitton, Lizzie Papworth, Jane Narey</b>
	9	Quotes from the Ofsted inspection reports regarding the teaching of RE in Rutland schools to be included in the press statement.	
5	4c	The Learning and Skills Service Manager would produce a matrix of what RE curriculum/syllabus schools were using plus details of the RE lead in each school.	<b>Lizzie Papworth</b>
6	4c	The SACRE sub-group to meet to discuss the following and report back at the next meeting:  <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Summarise the content of the Rutland SACRE webpage.</li><li>➤ Identify how the Rutland SACRE webpage would be maintained.</li><li>➤ Identify how Rutland SACRE could better communicate/engage with schools.</li><li>➤ Identify how the Rutland SACRE might better support RE teaching in schools.</li></ul>	<b>Rutland Sub-Group</b>

7	5	<p>Members to contact the Clerk before the 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023, with any comments/ amendments to the Annual Report.</p> <p>The Clerk to publish the finalised Annual Report 2022-2023 in January 2024 and submit a copy to NASACRE.</p>	<p><b>ALL</b></p> <p><b>Jane Narey</b></p>
8	8	<p>The RE Adviser confirmed that she would contact the leads for the East Anglia and East Midlands RE Hubs and request that Rutland SACRE be included in the East Anglia RE Hub.</p>	<p><b>Amanda Fitton</b></p>



## Code of conduct

*This generic code of conduct has been drawn together from consideration of various existing codes and provides an example for SACREs to use or adapt.*

### General principles

xxxxx SACRE encourages all its members to:

- attend all SACRE meetings and take a full and active part in its work
- participate in and review the work of SACRE for the benefit of the whole community
- listen with respect to the views of other members and where a situation of disagreement occurs, disagree respectfully
- express views and opinions openly, honestly and sensitively, always recognising others may have views different to one's own
- assume at all times that other members of SACRE are honourable and concerned with the best interests of SACRE
- seek reasoned consensus where views diverge and never disrespect the views of other SACRE members or seek to convert them to a different belief stance
- actively consult with, and report back to, the membership body which they represent so that debate is fully informed
- actively challenge and resist stereotyping

Remember that the central aim for the SACRE is to improve the quality of provision in RE and collective worship for all pupils in xxxxx.

### Visiting schools

From time to time, SACRE members may have the opportunity to visit schools.

SACRE Members should remember that it is a privilege to visit a school. They are there as invited guests, not to make judgements about the school or to “inspect” RE and collective worship.

Members should:

- only visit a school when invited

- inform the Clerk of SACRE and the SACRE's RE Professional of any invitation received and visits made
- ensure that you do not say or do anything, which could be viewed as denigrating any religion or ethical belief system
- avoid being critical of others or imposing their own views
- any confidential information disclosed should not be passed on but along with any possible concerns or confusions about what may have been seen should be discussed with the LA Officer and RE Professional before being reported back to SACRE

## Visiting schools as a representative of a faith community

Some faith community representatives may be more regular visitors to schools and invited to support RE and/or collective worship.

Visitors should be well-supported by the class teacher who should always be present, taking an active role in question and answer sessions, and ensuring visitors are well-briefed before a visit.

SACRE members visiting a school to share their beliefs, values and experiences should:

- have a clear, mutually agreed understanding of the purpose of the visit before it takes place
- appreciate that they are not there to convert or proselytise, avoiding being critical of others or imposing their own views
- be familiar with the school's aims, ethos and policies in RE and collective worship;
- have an understanding of where the lesson will fit into the unit of work from the Agreed Syllabus and what the learning objectives are
- use a variety of teaching and learning methods and approaches, but at no time touch pupils or behave favourably towards pupils of particular faiths, ethnic groups or genders
- ensure that pupils understand that the visitor is representing a particular faith view and their own personal interpretation of it and therefore that others from the same faith may not always interpret ideas in exactly the same ways
- ensure that they do not say or do anything, which could be viewed as denigrating
- communicate at an appropriate level for the age group concerned



## Agenda Item 8

### Religious Studies results – GCSE’s and A-levels 2023

Fewer pupils had undertaken GCSE religious education (140 pupils in the academic year 2021-2022 compared to 105 for the academic year 2022-2023) but more pupils had undertaken ‘A’ level religious studies (45 pupils in the academic year 2021-2022 compared to 50 for the academic year 2022-2023).

2023	Year group total	Cohort entry size	% of children sitting RE	GCSE 9 %	GCSE 5 or above %
Casterton College	177	16	9%	12.5%	44%
Catmose College	202	26	13%	7.7%	65.2%
Uppingham College	173	20	11.5%	10%	50%
Local Authority	552	62	11%	10.1%	53.1%
National results (ALL SCHOOLS)	5,543,840	201,590	4%	7.7%	61.3%

2023	Cohort entry size	A-levels A*- A	A-levels A*-B	A-levels A*-E
Harrington	20	15%	40%	100%
National results (ALL)	14,055	6%	55.9%	98.1%

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**Rutland SACRE Work Plan: 2023/24 v7**

Meeting Date	Description	Lead
<b>Standing Agenda Items for every meeting</b>	A Moment for Reflection	
	Welcome and Apologies	Chair
	Record of Meeting	Chair
	Actions from the Previous Meeting	Chair
	Rutland SACRE Development Plan 2023-28	Chair
	Update on Network Meetings	Amanda Fitton
	Training Attended by SACRE Members	All
	Monitoring of RE in Schools & OfSTED Inspection Reports	Elizabeth Papworth
	Work Plan	
	Any Urgent Business	
	Date of Next Meeting	
<b>6<sup>th</sup> June 2023</b>	SACRE Membership	
	a) Election of a New Chair	
	b) Election of a New Vice Chair	
	c) Appointment of New Members	
	NASACRE Conference/AGM: Update	
	Agreed Syllabus Launch: Update	
	Draft Development Plan 2023-28	
<b>12<sup>th</sup> September 2023</b>	SACRE's Role and Engagement with Schools	
	Rutland SACRE Constitution	
	Rutland RE Exam Results	
<b>5<sup>th</sup> December 2023</b>	SACRE Annual Report 2022-2023 <i>(publication after January 2024)</i>	
	SACRE's Role and Engagement with Schools	
	A) Schools inspected by Ofsted B) Ofsted Annual Report 2022-23 C) SACRE Sub-Group	Amanda Fitton Amanda Fitton Rev McWhirter
<b>12<sup>th</sup> March 2024</b>	SACRE Agreed Syllabus Schools' Questionnaire: Schools' questionnaire to be approved prior to sending to schools for completion.	Amanda Fitton
	Rutland RE Exam Results: Verified Data	
	SACRE Sub-Group: report and proposed actions	Rev McWhirter
	SACRE members engagement with schools	
	House of Lords: Quality of religious education in schools in England	Amanda Fitton
<b>11<sup>th</sup> June 2024</b>	Rutland SACRE Constitution	

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