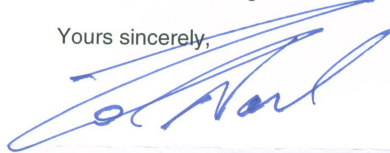


to remove the duty on local authorities to establish a SACRE. Indeed, SACREs continue to play an important role in supporting schools to teach high-quality RE and we recognise the contribution that SACRE members bring to the quality of these teachings. Local authorities continue to have a statutory duty to support the activities of SACRE and we are aware that many academies and SACREs work together to provide high-quality RE for young people in their local area.

Thank you for writing to me on this important matter.

Yours sincerely,



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