

Agenda Item Introduction

Committee **POLICY AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE FOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES, EDUCATION AND SKILLS**

Date **7 DECEMBER 2023**

Topic **SACRE ANNUAL REPORT 2022-23**

1. Background

1.1 The law states that religious education (RE) must be taught in all schools. However, RE is not part of the National Curriculum, it is a local responsibility. Every Local Education Authority (LEA) is required by law to have a Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education (SACRE) which supports the effective provision of religious education and collective worship in schools. The Corporate Scrutiny Committee receive an annual report that provides an overview of the work conducted by SACRE.

2. Focus for Scrutiny

2.1 What successes have happened within the last year?

2.2 What challenges have been faced in the last year and what are the lessons learned?

2.3 What improvements have been identified and what are the timelines for improvements or actions?

2.4 How can the committee support SACRE moving forward?

3. Approach

3.1 A report to be provided.

4. Document(s) Attached

4.1 Appendix 1: SACRE Annual Report.