

Why subscribe to NASACRE?

The need to consider the future of Religious Education (RE) is paramount in the current political and educational climate, where uncertainty and implementation of reform are in place. You know that your SACRE exists to uphold the law, which states that RE must be taught in all schools and it is a SACRE's responsibility to advise the local authority on what needs to be done to improve RE and Collective Worship (CW) for local schools. Through your SACRE, local communities and teachers can influence directly what pupils learn in the subject for which we care so much.

SACREs need to be supported; the future of the subject is at stake and direction and guidance are required for RE to thrive. This is where NASACRE can help. The Executive Committee has close links with the Association of RE Inspectors, Advisers and Consultants (AREIAC) and the National Association of Teachers of Religious Education (NATRE) and has an active voice, that represents your SACRE. NASACRE holds membership of the RE Council of England and Wales (REC) and the Inter-Faith Network UK (IFN) and NASACRE represent the interests of your SACREs at meetings with the DfE and the REC, thereby representing your interests at a national level.

We exist to help you promote and sustain the subject we care for. We seek to promote inter-faith understanding and sensitivity, to promote professional development in RE and to campaign passionately for adequate and satisfactory levels of resourcing RE to achieve these aims.

NASACRE does not stand still. The Exec committee has agreed a new three-year development plan. Our vision is that NASACRE will:

- assist SACREs to fulfil your responsibilities
- represent your common concerns to other bodies
- assist in the training and mutual consultation with members
- encourage the development of SACREs in, for example, becoming an online community and
- undertake other activities appropriate to SACREs, as may benefit RE and CW.

We want you on board, and hope that you will join or re-join us next year!