

**Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education**  
**February 6<sup>th</sup> 2019**  
**Report of the Deputy Chief Executive and Director for Families and**  
**Communities**  
**Response to the report from the Commission on Religious Education-**  
**Religion and World Views: The Way Forward – A National Plan for RE**  
**See Appendix 2**

**1 Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 To present SACRE members with an opportunity to reflect on the response from the government on the report from the Commission on Religious Education-Religion and World Views: The Way Forward - A National Plan for RE and the subsequent response to the government's response

**2 Summary**

- 2.1 The Commission on RE published its final report on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> September after a lengthy consultation period. The Commission calls for an overhaul of the subject to include teaching about non-religious beliefs to better reflect the diversity of modern society. It suggests a National Plan for RE and a change to the name and role of SACRES. The government has responded, and REC has responded to their response.

**3 Recommendation**

- 3.1 That members of SACRE use this opportunity to reflect on the response to the report and the recommendations.

**4 Background**

- 4.1 The Commission on RE published its final report on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2018 and the government responded in December 2018

**5 Equal Opportunities**

- 5.1 This report has been prepared in accordance with the County Council's policies on equal opportunities.

**6 Financial implications**

- 6.1 There are no immediate financial implications

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