

**SACRE COMMITTEE DECISION NOTICE  
GWYNEDD COUNCIL**

**(Section 100C of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended by the Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Meetings) (Wales) Regulations 2020)**

**8 June 2021**

**Virtual Meeting**

**Attendance:**

**Councillors:** Menna Baines, Selwyn E. Griffiths, Judith Humphreys, Dewi W. Roberts and Paul Rowlinson

**Others:**

**Christians and Other Faiths:** Eurfryn Davies (Union of Welsh Baptists), Anest G. Frazer (Church in Wales), Gwawr Maelor Williams (Presbyterian Church of Wales)

**Teachers:** Miriam Amlyn (NASUWT)

**Officers:** Einir Rh. Davies (Member Support Officer), Buddug Mair Huws (Assistant Education Quality Improvement Officer and SACRE Clerk), Sion Huws (Legal Department), Eirian Roberts (Member Support Officer)

**Apologies:** Eirian Bradley-Roberts (The Catholic Church), Dashu (Buddhism), Cathryn Davey (UCAC), Garem Jackson (Head of Education Department), Heledd Jones (NEU)

**Present for Item 8:** Dr Gareth Evans Jones, Lecturer in Religious Studies, School of History, Philosophy and Social Sciences, Bangor University

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**SUBJECT**

Item 2 : ELECT CHAIR

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**DECISION**

It was resolved to re-elect Councillor Paul Rowlinson as Chair of this Committee for 2021/22.

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**THE RESULT OF THE VOTE**

In favour	3
Against	0
Abstentions	0

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**DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS**

No declarations of personal interest or relevant dispensations were received.

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**SUBJECT**

Item 3 : ELECT VICE CHAIR

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**DECISION**

It was resolved to re-elect Councillor Menna Baines as Vice-chair of this Committee for 2021/22.

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**THE RESULT OF THE VOTE**

In favour	3
Against	0
Abstentions	0

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**DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS**

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**SUBJECT**

Item 8 : THE FUTURE OF BANGOR UNIVERSITY'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CENTRE

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**DECISION**

To welcome the update from Professor G. Evans Jones and agree to further collaboration between Gwynedd SACRE, Gwynedd Council's Education Department and Bangor University.

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**THE RESULT OF THE VOTE**

In favour	3
Against	0
Abstentions	0

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**SUBJECT**

Item 9 : SACRE DRAFT ANNUAL REPORT

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**DECISION**

To approve the Report for the period September 2019 to August 2020.

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**THE RESULT OF THE VOTE**

In favour	3
Against	0
Abstentions	0

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**SUBJECT**

Item 10 : CO-OPTING PUPILS ONTO SACRE COMMITTEE

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**DECISION**

To form a Working Group to look at all options for co-option of pupils onto the SACRE committee to include Cllr Dewi W. Roberts, Miriam Amlyn, Anest G. Frazer and Gwawr M. Williams.

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**THE RESULT OF THE VOTE**

In favour	3
Against	0
Abstentions	0

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**SUBJECT**

Item 11 : RESPONSE TO THE WELSH GOVERNMENT'S CONSULTATION :  
"GUIDANCE ON THE DESIGN AND DELIVERY OF MANDATORY RELIGION VALUES  
AND ETHICS"

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**DECISION**

To respond to the consultation, confirming:

1. Satisfaction with the content of the consultation.
2. That Religious Education subject skills are key to the specialist element of teaching the new curriculum.
3. That the Welsh Government needs to delay by at least a year before introducing the new curriculum, to allow schools the opportunity to re-stabilise.

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**THE RESULT OF THE VOTE**

In favour	3
Against	0
Abstentions	0

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**SUBJECT**

Item 12 : WASACRE MATTERS

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**DECISION**

- a) To accept the minutes.
  - b) To accept the nomination to the Executive Committee.
  - c) To note the date of the next meeting and to nominate Eurfryn Davies, Cllr Paul Rowlinson and Cllr Dewi W. Roberts to represent Gwynedd SACRE at the meeting
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In favour	3
Against	0
Abstentions	0

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