

Application to SACRE Regarding Alternative Collective Worship

1. Who can apply?

- 1.1 Application can be made by the Headteacher of a community school after consultation with the governors.

2. What can a headteacher apply for?

- 2.1 A Headteacher may apply to SACRE as to whether it is appropriate for Christian collective worship to apply in the case of that school, or in the case of a class or descriptions of pupils at that school.
- 2.2 In considering this application the SACRE must take account of any relevant circumstances relating to the family backgrounds of the pupils concerned.

3. Steps for Application in West Sussex

1. The Headteacher should consult with the Local Authority Religious Education Adviser.
2. The Headteacher should consult with governors at a full governor meeting
3. Consultation with Parents
4. Make a case for a determination in writing providing all available evidence
5. This should be sent to the Director of Education (SACRE) 4 weeks prior to the meeting of SACRE

4. The Determination

- 4.1 The decision of SACRE, which can only take the form of acceptance or rejection without modification, will be communicated in writing to the headteacher setting the date from which it should take effect. This determination ends after 5 years and a review by SACRE must take place. The headteacher can ask for an earlier review at any time.

5. Membership (May 2017 – May 2021)

- 5.1 Major Warner (Committee A), Rev Higgins (Committee B), Rev Millwood (Committee C) and Jacky Pendleton (Committee D).