

Roe Green Junior School – GB meeting held on 15th May 2025

Agenda Item No 10 a

SACRE Application

ML informed the governors that the school had 5 years previously applied to Brent Council earlier in the year for a SACRE (Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education) determination. However, they have now been advised that the application needs to be renewed.

ML explained that she had spoken with the Chair (VA), who has given their approval for the application to go forward to the Full Governing Board meeting on 15th May 2025. The application seeks a determination that Section 394(1) of the 1996 Education Act should not apply to Roe Green Junior School.

ML provided background on the SACRE process, explaining that schools such as Roe Green Juniors, which have a diverse and multi-faith pupil population, must apply to SACRE every five years for a review and approval of their approach to daily collective worship.

She highlighted that, because many different religions are represented within the school community, it would not be appropriate to follow a single-faith model. Instead, the school is seeking to adopt a multi-faith approach that is more inclusive and representative of its pupils.

ML also mentioned that she had sent a text message to parents to explain why the school is submitting the SACRE application and carrying out the related consultation. Two parents asked for further clarification, and after ML explained the process in more detail, both parents were supportive of the school's application for a multi-faith determination.

She added that the school is also required to submit data on the religious make-up of the pupil population as part of the application.

Governors had no questions regarding the SACRE application, and all were in full agreement that the school should follow the Brent SACRE's recommended approach to collective daily worship.



Signed

Date: 16th May 2025

Chair of Governors