

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Appeals Sub-Committee**
held on Thursday, 26th July, 2012 at Committee Suite 1 & 2, Westfields,
Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

Councillor D Marren (Chairman)

Councillors C Andrew, I Faseyi, B Murphy and P Whiteley

IN ATTENDANCE

Maureen Hills, Lawyer and Clerk to the Appeals Sub-Committee
Janet Mills, Cheshire East Transport (Presenting Officer)
Julie Zientek, Democratic Services Officer

1 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED:

That Councillor D Marren be appointed Chairman.

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

4 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION

In accordance with Procedure Rules No.11 and 35, a total period of 10 minutes was allocated for members of the public to address the Sub-Committee on any matter relevant to its work.

In the absence of members of the public, the Sub-Committee proceeded to the next item of business.

5 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 24 November 2011 be approved as a correct record.

6 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED:

That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item, pursuant to Section 100(A)4 of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 and the public interest would not be served in publishing this information.

7 SCHOOL TRANSPORT APPEALS

The Sub-Committee considered an appeal against the decision of the Cheshire East Transport Service not to allow assisted school transport, in accordance with the Council's Under 16 School Transport Policy.

The appellant was not in attendance and the Sub-Committee heard the appeal based on the appellant's written evidence, the oral and written evidence presented by the Presenting Officer, who detailed the Local Authority's case, and the oral representations by Ward Councillor D Mahon, who spoke in support of the appeal.

Members of the Sub-Committee asked questions of both parties by way of clarification. Councillor Mahon and the Presenting Officer were also able to ask questions by way of clarification.

Councillor Mahon and the Presenting Officer then withdrew from the meeting, following which the Sub-Committee reached its decision.

RESOLVED:

That the appeal be DECLINED.

The meeting commenced at 2.00 pm and concluded at 4.00 pm

Councillor D Marren (Chairman)