

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Appeals Sub-Committee**
held on Thursday, 30th August, 2012 at Committee Suite 1 & 2, Westfields,
Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

Councillor D Marren (Chairman)

Councillors I Faseyi, D Marren, B Murphy and P Whiteley.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Maureen Mills	Solicitor and Clerk to the Appeals Sub-Committee
Sarah Tunstall	Customer Quality Manager Cheshire East Transport (Presenting Officer)
Cherry Foreman	Democratic Services Officer

8 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED:

That Councillor D Marren be appointed Chairman for the meeting.

9 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor G Wait.

10 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

11 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION

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

12 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED:

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

13 SCHOOL TRANSPORT APPEALS

The Sub-Committee considered two appeals against the decision of the Cheshire East Transport Service not to allow assisted school transport in accordance with the Councils Under 16 Transport Policy (Case 1), and to the change in the Policy relating to pupils attending denominational schools (Case 2).

Case 1

The appellant attended the hearing. The Sub-Committee heard the appeal based on the appellant's written evidence and the oral and written evidence of the Presenting Officer who detailed the Local Authorities Case. Members of the Sub-Committee asked questions by way of clarification. The Presenting Officer and the appellant withdrew from the meeting following which the Sub-Committee reached its decision.

RESOLVED:

That the appeal be upheld.

Case 2

The appellant did not attend the hearing which was in respect of a child previously eligible to receive assistance and also for a second child due to start at the same School. The Sub-Committee considered the appeal in their absence based on the appellant's written evidence and the oral and written evidence of the Presenting Officer who detailed the Local Authorities Case. Members of the Sub-Committee asked questions by way of clarification. The Presenting Officer withdrew from the meeting following which the Sub-Committee reached its decision.

RESOLVED:

That the appeal be dismissed.

The meeting commenced at 2.00 pm and concluded at 3.55 pm

Councillor D Marren (Chairman)