

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Appeals Sub-Committee**
held on Tuesday, 4th September, 2018 at Committee Suite 1,2 & 3,
Westfields, Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

Councillors A Harewood, M Simon and A Stott

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Chris Broadhurst - SEND Assessment and Monitoring Team Leader
Neil Roberts - Accessibility Officer
Helen Webster - Lawyer and Clerk to the Appeals Sub-Committee
Paul Mountford - Executive Democratic Services Officer

49 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED

That Councillor M Simon be appointed Chairman for the meeting.

50 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors S Edgar and M Deakin.

51 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

52 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION

There were no members of the public present.

53 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 as amended 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 the public interest would not be served in publishing the information.

54 SCHOOL TRANSPORT APPEALS

The following cases were heard in the order and at the times indicated.

55 **CASE 1**

This case was postponed.

56 **CASE 2 - 2.00 PM**

The Sub-Committee considered an appeal against a decision of the Council not to offer assisted school transport.

The Sub-Committee heard the appeal based on the written and oral evidence of the Presenting Officer, who detailed the local authority's case, and the written and oral evidence of the Appellant. 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 and transport be provided for a period of 12 months.

57 **CASE 4 - 2.30 PM**

The Sub-Committee considered an appeal against a decision of the Council not to offer assisted school transport.

The Sub-Committee heard the appeal based on the written and oral evidence of the Presenting Officer, who detailed the local authority's case, and the written and oral evidence of the Appellant. 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 refused.

58 **CASE 3 - 3.00 PM**

The Sub-Committee considered an appeal against a decision of the Council not to offer assisted school transport.

The Sub-Committee heard the appeal based on the written and oral evidence of the Presenting Officer, who detailed the local authority's case, and the written evidence of the Appellant. The Appellant did not attend the meeting and was not represented in their absence. 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 refused.

The meeting commenced at 2.00 pm and concluded at 4.00 pm

Councillor M Simon (Chairman)