

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Appeals Committee**
held on Thursday, 30th July, 2009 in Committee Suite 1 and 2, Westfields,
Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

Councillor S Bentley (Chairman)
Councillor L Gilbert (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors M Asquith, R Fletcher, M Martin, M Simon and D Topping

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Jackie Speakman	Principal Transport Officer (Presenting Officer for the Local Authority)
Alison Ellison	Team Leader – Legal Services
Carol Jones	Democratic Services

1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No Member made any declaration of interest in any item of business on the agenda.

2 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION

In accordance with Procedure Rules Nos. 11 and 35, a total period of 10 minutes was allocated for members of the public to address the Committee on any matter relevant to the work of the Committee.

There were no members of the public present and the Committee, therefore, proceeded to its next business.

3 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, 2 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, and the public interest would not be served in publishing this information.

4 SCHOOL TRANSPORT APPEALS

The Committee considered four appeals against the decision of the Integrated Transport Service not to allow assisted school transport, in accordance with the Council's Transport Policy.

In each case, the appellant and Presenting Officer were in attendance throughout consideration of the appeal. After each appeal, the appellant and Presenting Officer withdrew from the meeting, following which the Committee reached its decision.

The Committee carefully considered the evidence presented to them both orally and in writing.

It was noted that Case 1 had been withdrawn prior to the meeting.

RESOLVED

That

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| (1) | Case 2 | the appeal be upheld; |
| (2) | Case 3 | the appeal be refused; |
| (3) | Case 4 | the appeal be refused; and |
| (4) | Case 5 | the appeal be refused. |

(Note: Councillor M J Simon was present for Cases 2 and 3 only, following which she withdrew from the meeting.)

5 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

27th August 2009 – 10.00 am

It was agreed that if there were no more than four appeals listed for the 27th August, the meeting commence at 2.00 pm.

The meeting commenced at 2.15 pm and concluded at 5.05 pm

Councillor S Bentley (Chairman)