CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Appeals Committee** held on Thursday, 29th July, 2010 at Committee Suite 1 & 2, Westfields, Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

Councillor S Bentley (Chairman) Councillor J Crockatt (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors R Fletcher and M A Martin

IN ATTENDANCE

Victoria Cassidy	Solicitor and Clerk to the Appeals Committee
Pat Wilson	SEN Assessment and Monitoring Team
	(Presenting Officer)
Jackie Speakman	Principal Transport Officer
Carol Jones	Democratic Services Officer

APOLOGIES

Councillors M Asquith, L Gilbert and M Simon

6 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

7 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 its work.

There were no members of the public in attendance and the Committee proceeded to its next business.

8 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 20th May 2010 be approved as a correct record.

9 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 (as amended) of the Local Government Act 1972 and the public interest would not be served in publishing this information.

10 SCHOOL TRANSPORT APPEALS

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

The appellant was not present and the Committee heard the appeal based on the appellant's written evidence only.

The Presenting Officer detailed the Local Authority's case. Members of the Committee were able to ask questions by way of clarification.

The Presenting Officer and the Principal Transport Officer then withdrew from the meeting following which the Committee reached its decision.

RESOLVED:

That the appeal be REFUSED.

The meeting commenced at 2.00 pm and concluded at 2.45 pm

Councillor S Bentley (Chairman)