CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **General Appeals Sub Committee** held on Tuesday, 16th September, 2025 in the East Committee Room, Municipal Buildings, Crewe, CW1 2BJ

PRESENT

Councillors S Bennett-Wake (Chair)

Councillors T Dean and B Puddicombe

8 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

That Councillor Bennett-Wake be appointed as Chair of the meeting.

9 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

10 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

In the interest of openness Councillor Bennett-Wake declared that she had friends who worked at the school subject to the appeal but was not known to the appellant.

11 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION

There were no public speakers.

12 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

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 as amended on the grounds that it involves the likely discussion 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.

13 SCHOOL TRANSPORT APPEALS

Consideration was given to the following school transport appeals.

14 CASE 1 - 10.35AM

The Sub-Committee considered an appeal against a decision of the Council's School Transport Team not to offer travel assistance. 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. 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 (Unanimously):

That the appeal be upheld.

The meeting commenced at 10.30am and concluded at 11.30am

Councillor S Bennett-Wake