## CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Appeals Committee** held on Thursday, 31st March, 2011 at Committee Suite 1 & 2, Westfields, Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

#### **PRESENT**

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

Councillors R Fletcher, M A Martin and M J Simon

#### IN ATTENDANCE

Anita Barnett Solicitor and Clerk to the Appeals Committee Carol Jones Democratic Services Committee Officer

Sarah Tunstall Operations Manager (Eligibility) – Integrated Transport

Janet Mills Cheshire East Transport Team

# **APOLOGIES**

Councillor L Gilbert

#### 26 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were made.

# **27 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.

In the absence of members of the public, the Committee proceeded to its next item of business.

### 28 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the meeting held on 13 January 2011 be approved as a correct record.

# 29 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 of the Local Government Act 1972 and the public interest would not be served in publishing this information.

### 30 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 in attendance and the appeal was heard in the presence of the Sarah Tunstall, Operations Manager (Eligibility) and Janet Mills of the Cheshire East Transport Team who made a joint presentation to the Committee. The Committee also considered the written representations made by the applicant.

Members were able to ask questions by way of clarification.

At this point in the proceedings, the Presenting Officers withdrew from the meeting, following which the Committee reached its decision.

**RESOLVED:** That the Appeal be refused.

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The meeting commenced at 2.00 pm and concluded at 2.30 pm

Councillor S Bentley (Chairman)