CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Appeals Sub-Committee** held on Thursday, 20th October, 2011 at Fred Flint Room, Westfields, Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

Councillor P Whiteley (Chairman)

Councillors C Andrew, I Faseyi, G Morris, B Murphy and P Whiteley

IN ATTENDANCE

Victoria Cassidy Solicitor and Clerk to the Appeals Sub-Committee
Sarah Tunstall Customer Quality Manager – Cheshire East Transport

(Presenting Officer)

Julie Zientek Democratic Services Officer

7 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED:

That Councillor P Whiteley be appointed Chairman.

8 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

9 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor G Morris declared a personal interest as she knew the solicitor named in one of the supporting documents.

10 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 Sub-Committee on any matter relevant to its work.

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

11 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 29 September 2011 be approved as a correct record.

12 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.

13 SCHOOL TRANSPORT APPEALS

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

The appellant was in attendance throughout consideration of their appeal. The Presenting Officer detailed the Local Authority's case and the appellant spoke in support of their appeal. Members of the Sub-Committee asked questions of both parties by way of clarification. The appellant and the Presenting Officer were also able to ask questions by way of clarification.

The appellant and the Presenting Officer then withdrew from the meeting, following which the Sub-Committee reached its decision.

RESOLVED:

That the appeal be UPHELD.

The meeting commenced at 10.00 am and concluded at 11.00 am

Councillor P Whiteley (Chairman)