CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Appeals Sub-Committee** held on Thursday, 30th April, 2015 at Committee Suite 1 & 2, Westfields, Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

Councillor M Simon (Chairman)

Councillors C Andrew, I Faseyi and M Sherratt

IN ATTENDANCE

Maureen Hills Lawyer and Clerk to the Appeals Sub-Committee

Sarah Tunstall Business & Projects Manager, Transport Service Solutions

(Presenting Officer)

Julie Zientek Democratic Services Officer

46 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED – That Councillor M Simon be appointed Chairman.

47 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

48 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

49 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION

There were no members of the public present.

50 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.

51 SCHOOL TRANSPORT APPEALS

The Sub-Committee considered two appeals against the decision of the Cheshire East Transport Service not to allow assisted school transport in accordance with the Council's Home to School Transport Policy.

Case 1

The Appellant and a supporter of the Appellant attended the hearing. The Sub-Committee heard the appeal based on the oral and written evidence of the Presenting Officer, who detailed the Local Authority's case, and the oral and written evidence of the Appellant and their supporter. Members of the Sub-Committee asked questions by way of clarification.

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

RESOLVED – That the appeal be upheld.

Case 2

Councillor B Livesley attended the hearing on behalf of the Appellant, who was unable to attend. The Sub-Committee heard the appeal based on the oral and written evidence of the Presenting Officer, who detailed the Local Authority's case, the written evidence of the Appellant and the oral evidence of Councillor Livesley. Members of the Sub-Committee asked questions by way of clarification.

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

RESOLVED – That the appeal be upheld.

The meeting commenced at 2.00 pm and concluded at 2.45 pm

Councillor M Simon (Chairman)