

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Appeals Sub-Committee**
held on Tuesday, 1st September, 2015 at Committee Suite 1 & 2, Westfields,
Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

Councillors C Chapman, O Hunter, M Simon, M Warren and M J Weatherill

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Gaynor Hawthornthwaite, Democratic Services Officer
Maureen Hills, Lawyer and Clerk to the Appeals Sub-Committee
Sarah Tunstall, Customer Quality Manager-Cheshire East Transport

14 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED:

That Councillor M Simon be appointed Chairman for the meeting.

15 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

16 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

17 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION

No members of the public were present.

18 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED:

That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items pursuant to Section 100(A)4 of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended on the grounds that they involved the likely discussion of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 1 and 2 of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 and the public interest would not be served in publishing the information.

19 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

Councillor Chapman arrived at the meeting during consideration of this case and did not take part in any discussions or decision making.

The Appellant and the Ward Member 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 the oral evidence of the Ward Member. Members of the Sub-Committee asked questions by way of clarification.

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

RESOLVED:

That the appeal be upheld.

Case 2

The Appellant and their Supporter 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. Members of the Sub-Committee asked questions by way of clarification.

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

RESOLVED:

That the appeal be upheld.

The meeting commenced at 2.05 pm and concluded at 3.20 pm

Councillor M Simon