

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Appeals Sub-Committee**
held on Tuesday, 7th March, 2017 at The Capesthorne Room - Town Hall,
Macclesfield SK10 1EA

PRESENT

Councillor S Edgar (Chairman)

Councillors I Faseyi, M Hardy, M Parsons and M J Weatherill

Maureen Hills-Lawyer and Clerk to the Appeals Sub-Committee

Neil Roberts-Accessibility Officer

Sarah Tunstall-Business & Projects Manager, Transport Service Solutions
(Presenting Officer)

25 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED

That Councillor S Edgar be appointed Chairman for the meeting.

26 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

27 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

28 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION

No members of the public were present.

29 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 Paragraphs 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.

30 SCHOOL TRANSPORT APPEALS

(a) Case 1-10am

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

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

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

RESOLVED

That the appeal be declined.

(b) Case 2-10.30am

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

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 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

That the appeal be declined.

(The meeting adjourned for a short break).

(c) Case 3-11am

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

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 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

That the appeal be declined.

(d) Case 4-11.30am

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

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

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

RESOLVED

That the appeal be declined.

(The meeting adjourned for lunch from 12.10pm until 1pm).

(e) Case 5 1pm

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

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

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

RESOLVED

That the appeal be declined.

(f) Case 6-1.30pm

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

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

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

RESOLVED

That the appeal be declined.

(g) Case 7-2pm

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

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

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

RESOLVED

That the appeal be declined.

(h) Case 8-2.30pm

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

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

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

RESOLVED

That the appeal be declined.

(i) Case 9-3pm

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

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

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

RESOLVED

That due to the exceptional circumstances of the individual the appeal be upheld.

The meeting commenced at 10.00 am and concluded at 3.30 pm

Councillor S Edgar (Chairman)