

Appeals Sub-Committee – Meeting held on Tuesday, 11th March, 2014.

Present:- Councillors Bal, Rasib and Wright

Apologies for Absence:- Councillor Davis

PART I

106. Election of Chair

Resolved - That Councillor Bal be appointed Chair for the duration of the meeting.

107. Declarations of Interest

No declarations were made.

108. Guidance on Predetermination/ Predisposition - To Note

Resolved – That the Members confirmed that the Guidance on Predetermination/Predisposition had been read and understood.

109. Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th February 2014

Resolved – that the minutes of the meeting held on 7th February 2014 be approved as a correct record, with the following amendment re. Agenda item 99 - Declarations of Interest:

With reference to TA12-1314, Councillor Shah declared a personal interest in that she knew the family. However, she felt able to continue without predisposition and remained as an active panel member for the duration on the hearing.

Councillor Rasib also declared a personal interest in that the appellant was a member of his extended family. Councillor Rasib withdrew, and did not take part in the hearing. The appeal was then heard in absence.

110. Home to School Transport Policy

Resolved – That the Members confirmed that the Home to Schools Transport Policy had been read and understood.

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111. Appeals Sub Committee Procedure for hearing Home to School Transport Appeals

Resolved – That the Members confirmed that the Appeals Sub Committee Procedure for hearing Home to School transport Appeals had been read and understood.

112. It is recommended that the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the item in Part 2 of the Agenda, as it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information relating to individuals as defined in Paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (amended).

Resolved – That the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the items in Part 2 of the Agenda, as they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information relating to individuals as defined in Paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (amended).

113. Home to School Transport Appeals

The Sub-Committee considered a number of appeals against the refusal by officers of applications for home to school transport. The circumstances of each case did not fulfil the necessary criteria for assistance. For each appeal, details were presented by the local authority representative of the reasons for refusal together with the grounds of appeal submitted by the parents of the pupils in question. The Appeals Sub-Committee also considered verbal representations made by Appellants at the hearing. The Appeals were considered under the general home to school transport policy.

Resolved - That the following decisions be taken in respect of the appeals for home to school transport as set out below:-

Appellant	Decision
TA14-1314	Refused
TA15-1314	Refused
TA17-1314	Refused
TA16-1314	Refused

(Note: The Meeting opened at 10.45 am and closed at 11.55 am)