

Minutes of the Appeals Committee Wednesday, 21st September 2022 at 11.30 am In Committee Room 2 at the Council House, Dudley

Present:

Councillor T Westwood (Chair)
Councillor A Goddard and S Mughal

Officers:

D Corbett – Senior Transport Officer (Directorate of Children's Services) and K Taylor – Democratic Services Officer (Directorate of Finance and Legal).

26 **Declarations of Interest**

No Member made a declaration of interest in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct.

27 Exclusion of the Public

Resolved

That the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information relating to any individual(s) as defined in Part I of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act, 1972, as amended.

28 Home to School and Post 16 Home to School/College Transport Appeal - HF

A report of the Director of Children's Services was submitted on an appeal relating to Home to School Transport.

Resolved

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- (1) That, following careful consideration of the information outlined in the report submitted, the Committee determined that the appeal for HF be refused for the reasons set out in the report submitted. Although the Committee acknowledged the difficulties encountered by HF walking to school, they were satisfied that sufficient arrangements had been made for HF to be taken to and from school by her Father.
- (2) That the parties be informed of the decision of the Committee in writing within five working days.

29 Home to School and Post 16 Home to School/College Transport Appeal - KA

A report of the Director of Children's Services was submitted on an appeal relating to home to school transport.

Resolved

- (1) That, following careful consideration of the information contained in the report submitted, the appeal for KA be upheld, and home to school transport be provided for the remainder of KA's education at the current provision.
- (2) That the parties be informed of the decision of the Committee in writing within five working days.

30 Post 16 Home to School/College Transport Appeal - SD

A report of the Director of Children's Services was submitted on an appeal relating to Post 16 Home to School/College Transport.

Resolved

- (1) That, following careful consideration of the information and representations made by all parties, the appeal for SD be upheld, and home to school transport be provided for the remainder of the 2022/23 academic year, subject to review thereafter.
- (2) That SD be recommended to be assessed for Independent Travel Training.
- (3) That the parties be informed of the decision of the Committee in writing within five working days.

31 Post 16 Home to School/College Transport Appeal – RO



32 Post 16 Home to School/College Transport Appeal – XT

It was noted that the application had been withdrawn prior to the meeting.

The meeting ended at 1.15pm

CHAIR