

## APPEALS PANEL (CHILDREN'S SERVICES TRANSPORT)

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> February, 2011 at 10.00 am  
At Saltwells Education Development Centre,  
Bowling Green Road, Netherton

### PRESENT:-

Councillor Vickers (Chairman)  
Councillors Crumpton and Mrs Dunn

### Officers

Mr T Wells (Senior Transport Manager) (Directorate of Children's Services)  
and Miss H Shepherd (Directorate of Corporate Resources)

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16. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No member made a Declaration of Interest in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct.

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17. MINUTES

RESOLVED

That, the minutes of the meeting of the Appeals Panel held on 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2010, be approved as a correct record and signed.

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18. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED

That the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 as indicated below:-

<u>Description of Item</u>	<u>Relevant Paragraph of Part 1 of Schedule 12A</u>
Home to School Transport Appeals	1

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19. HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT APPEAL – CS AND KS

The Appeals Panel considered an appeal relating to Home to School Transport.

The applicant was in attendance at the meeting.

Following introductions, the Chairman outlined the procedure to be followed.

The Senior Transport Manager, Directorate of Children's Services, presented the report on behalf of the Council.

Following the report, a Member requested that more detail with regard to the applicants situations should be included in future reports of the Director of Children's Services.

The applicant then presented her case to the Appeals Panel.

Following the applicants presentation, questions were asked by the members of the Appeals Panel.

Following final submissions, the parties left the meeting, at which point the Appeals Panel continued its deliberations in respect of the Home to School Transport appeal.

**RESOLVED**

- (1) That, following careful consideration of the written submissions as circulated with the agenda papers and all the comments made at the meeting, the appeal for CS be upheld, and a bus pass be provided for the duration of his attendance at Thorns Community College.
- (2) That, following careful consideration of the written submissions as circulated with the agenda papers and all comments made at the meeting, the appeal for KS be refused for the reasons set out in the report of the Director of Children's Services.
- (3) That the Director of Corporate Resources advise the applicant of the Panel's decisions in writing.
- (4) That the Director of Children's Services be requested to include more detail in future reports concerning the applicant's circumstances.

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20. HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT APPEAL - XD

The Appeals Panel considered an appeal relating to Home to School Transport.

The applicant was in attendance at the meeting.

Following introductions, the Chairman outlined the procedure to be followed.

The Senior Transport Manager, Directorate of Children's Services, presented the report on behalf of the Council.

The Appeals Panel and applicant then asked questions on the Directorate of Children's Services case.

The applicant then presented her case.

Following the applicant's presentation, questions were asked by the members of the Appeals Panel.

Following discussions, the parties left the meeting at which point the Appeals Panel continued its deliberations in respect of the Home to School Transport appeal.

RESOLVED

- (1) That, following careful consideration of the written submissions as circulated with the agenda papers and all the comments made at the meeting, the appeal be upheld, and a taxi be provided, initially for 12 months subject to review thereafter.
- (2) That the Director of Corporate Resources advise the applicant of the Panel's decision in writing.

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The meeting ended at 11.15 am.

CHAIRMAN