

APPEALS COMMITTEE (HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT)
08/12/2022 at 1.00 pm



Present: Councillor Goodwin (Chair)
Councillors Hamblett and Harrison

Also in Attendance:

Laila Chowdhury	Constitutional Services
Alan Evans	Group Solicitor
Kaidy McCann	Constitutional Services
Andy Wood	Education Provision Manager

1 **ELECTION OF CHAIR**

RESOLVED that Councillor Goodwin be elected Chair for the duration of the meeting.

2 **URGENT BUSINESS**

There were no items of urgent business received.

3 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence received.

4 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest received.

5 **HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT APPEAL PROCEDURE**

RESOLVED that the Home to School Transport Appeal Procedure be noted.

6 **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

RESOLVED that, in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they contain exempt information under paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act, and it would not, on balance, be in the public interest to disclose the reports.

7 **TRAVEL APPEAL**

The Education Provision Manager presented the case on behalf of the Local Education Authority calling no witnesses in support. The Appellants attended to present their case.

A Group Solicitor was in attendance who advised on matters of policy and procedure at the Committee. The Committee asked questions of the Local Education Authority and the Appellant, and both parties were given the opportunity to ask questions of each other.

Both parties were given the opportunity to sum up their case. The Committee adjourned whilst deliberations took place.

RESOLVED that the Appeal be adjourned and the Appellant to provide medical evidence as to why the child needed to attend the current school.

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Both parties were given the opportunity to sum up their case. The Committee adjourned whilst deliberations took place.

RESOLVED that the Appeal be DISMISSED, as the circumstances detailed by the Appellant were not so exceptional as to merit a departure from the Authority's policy.

9 **TRAVEL APPEAL**

The Education Provision Manager presented the case on behalf of the Local Education Authority calling no witnesses in support. The Appellants did not attend to present their case.

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The Local Education Authority was given the opportunity to sum up their case. The Committee adjourned whilst deliberations took place.

RESOLVED that the Appeal be DISMISSED, as the circumstances detailed by the Appellant were not so exceptional as to merit a departure from the Authority's policy.

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RESOLVED that the Appeal be DISMISSED, as the circumstances detailed by the Appellant were not so exceptional as to merit a departure from the Authority's policy.

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Both parties were given the opportunity to sum up their case.
The Committee adjourned whilst deliberations took place.

RESOLVED that the Appeal be GRANTED, as the circumstances detailed by the Appellant were exceptional as to merit a departure from the Authority's policy.

The meeting started at 1.00 pm and ended at 2.56 pm