



Minutes

Name of meeting	GENERAL PURPOSES (APPEALS) SUB COMMITTEE
Date and time	TUESDAY, 11 MAY 2010 COMMENCING AT 10.00 AM
Venue	COMMITTEE ROOM TWO, COUNTY HALL, NEWPORT, ISLE OF WIGHT
Present	Cllr Susan Scoccia (Chairman), Ivan Bulwer, David Williams
Officers Present	Julie Martin, Heather Whitchurch

49. Minutes

RESOLVED :

THAT the Minutes of the meeting held on [11 February 2010](#) be confirmed.

50. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations at this time.

51. Exclusion of Public and Press

RESOLVED:

THAT, under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business, namely Minute number 52, on the grounds that there is likely to be disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act and in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

52. Report of the Director of Children's Services

The Chairman welcomed those present and introduced Members of the Committee. She confirmed that all members had read the papers and outlined the procedure that was to be followed.

Consideration was given to appeals relating to school transport.

(a) Hearing 33 (09/10)

Additional evidence, received after the printing of the reports, was submitted to Members prior to the meeting.

Following representations from the Children's Services representative, members of the Sub Committee asked questions.

The appellant then outlined her case highlighting several points from the documentation previously submitted. Members of the Sub Committee asked questions of the appellant.

All parties withdrew, whilst the Sub Committee adjourned to consider the appeal.

The Sub Committee having considered all the reasons given by the appellant in her written and oral submissions, decided that the appeal should be refused.

The Sub Committee could see no compelling evidence or reason to exercise their discretion to override the Isle of Wight Council's Transport Policy.

It was also noted that the appellant had exercised her parental choice for her children not to attend their priority school.

RESOLVED :

THAT the appeal be refused.

(b) Hearing 34 (09/10)

Following representations from the Children's Services representative, members of the Sub Committee asked questions.

The appellant then outlined his case highlighting several points from the documentation previously submitted. Members of the Sub Committee asked questions of the appellant.

All parties withdrew, whilst the Sub Committee adjourned to consider the appeal.

The Sub Committee having considered all the reasons given by the appellant in his written and oral submissions, decided that the appeal should be refused.

The Sub Committee could see no compelling evidence or reason to exercise their discretion to override the Isle of Wight Council's Transport Policy.

It was also noted that the appellant had exercised his parental choice for his child not to attend the priority school.

The Chair would contact the Head of Learning and Achievement seeking reassurance that things hat the school had changed.

RESOLVED :

THAT the appeal be refused

(c) Hearing 37 (09/10)

The appellant was unable to attend the hearing, but had submitted additional evidence prior to the meeting.

Following representations from the Children's Services representative, members of the Sub Committee asked questions. The Children's Services then withdrew, whilst the Sub Committee adjourned to consider the appeal.

The Sub Committee having considered all the reasons given by the appellant in her written submission, decided that the appeal should be refused.

Due to the non attendance of the appellant the Sub Committee was only able to consider the evidence before them and could see no compelling evidence or reason to exercise their discretion to override the Isle of Wight Council's Transport Policy.

It was also noted that the appellant had exercised her parental choice for her child not to attend the priority school.

RESOLVED :

THAT the appeal be refused.

(d) Hearing 36 (09/10)

The application was withdrawn.

(e) Hearing 35 (09/10)

The appellant was unable to attend the hearing.

Following representations from the Children's Services representative, members of the Sub Committee asked questions. The Children's Services then withdrew, whilst the Sub Committee adjourned to consider the appeal.

The Sub Committee having considered all the reasons given by the appellant in her written submission, decided that the appeal should be refused.

Due to the non attendance of the appellant the Sub Committee was only able to consider the evidence before them and could see no compelling evidence or reason to exercise their discretion to override the Isle of Wight Council's Transport Policy.

It was also noted that the appellant had exercised her parental choice for her child not to attend the priority school.

RESOLVED :

THAT the appeal be refused.

(f) Hearing 39 (09/10)

The appellant was unable to attend the hearing, but had submitted additional evidence prior to the meeting.

Following representations from the Children's Services representative, members of the Sub Committee asked questions. The Children's Services then withdrew, whilst the Sub Committee adjourned to consider the appeal.

The Sub Committee having considered all the reasons given by the appellant in his written submissions, decided that the appeal should be allowed due to exceptional circumstances.

It was also noted that the appellant had moved and no longer attended his priority area school.

RESOLVED :

THAT a bus pass be issued for the remainder of the school year (July 2010) only.

CHAIRMAN