

Minutes

Name of meeting	GENERAL PURPOSES (APPEALS) SUB COMMITTEE
Date and time	FRIDAY, 12 NOVEMBER 2010 COMMENCING AT 10.00 AM
Venue	COMMITTEE ROOM ONE, COUNTY HALL, NEWPORT, ISLE OF WIGHT
Present	Cllr Susan Scoccia (Chairman), Ivan Bulwer, David Williams
Officers Present	Janet Giles, Simon Wiggins

16. **Minutes**

RESOLVED :

THAT the Minutes of the meeting held on [27 September 2010](#) be confirmed.

17. **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations at this time.

18. **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 19, on the grounds that there was likely to be disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act and in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information.

19. **Confidential Reports 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 54 (10/11)

The appellant had been unable to confirm if they were able to attend. The Sub Committee agreed to delay the start of the appeal for five minutes to allow the appellant to attend. The appellant did not attend the hearing.

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

The Children's Services representative 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 their priority school.

RESOLVED :

THAT the appeal be refused.

(b) Hearing 55 (10/11)

The Sub Committee received representations from the Children's Services representative and had no further questions.

The appellant then outlined her case highlighting and elaborating on 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 upheld due to the exceptional circumstances. The Sub Committee requested that the Children's Services representative make enquiries in relation to recouping any costs.

RESOLVED :

THAT the appeal be upheld.

(c) Hearing 56 (10/11)

The Sub Committee received representations from the Children's Services representative and had no further questions.

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

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 child not to attend their priority school.

RESOLVED :

THAT the appeal be refused.

(d) Hearing 57 and 58 (10/11)

The appellant did not attend the hearing.

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

The Children's Services representative 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 children not to attend their priority school.

RESOLVED :

THAT the appeal be refused.

(e) Hearing 59 (10/11)

The appellant was unable to attend the hearing.

The Sub Committee received representations from the Children's Services representative and had no further questions.

The Children's Services representative 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.

RESOLVED :

THAT the appeal be refused.

CHAIRMAN