



# Minutes

Name of meeting	<b>GENERAL PURPOSES (APPEALS) SUB COMMITTEE</b>
Date and time	<b>MONDAY, 12 JULY 2010 COMMENCING AT 1.00 PM</b>
Venue	<b>COMMITTEE ROOM ONE, COUNTY HALL, NEWPORT, ISLE OF WIGHT</b>
Present	Cllr Susan Scoccia (Chairman), Ivan Bulwer, David Williams
Officers Present	Janet Giles, Simon Wiggins

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1. **Minutes**

RESOLVED :

THAT the Minutes of the meeting held on [11](#) and [18 May 2010](#) be confirmed.

2. **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations at this time.

3. **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 4, 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.

4. **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 40 (10/11)

(During the debate Councillor David Williams declared a personal interest as he was a Shanklin Councillor).

Representations from the Children's Services representative were received by the members of the Sub Committee.

The appellants then outlined their 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 their 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 appellants had exercised their parental choice for their children not to attend their priority school.

RESOLVED :

THAT the appeal be refused.

(b) Hearing 41 (10/11)

The appellant was unable to attend the hearing and had submitted further written evidence which was circulated to all members and officers prior to 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, including the additional information 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

(c) Hearing 43 (10/11)

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 his 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 his parental choice for his child not to attend the priority school.

RESOLVED :

THAT the appeal be refused

(d) Hearing 42 (10/11)

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 appeals.

The Sub Committee having considered all the reasons given by the appellant in her written submission, decided that the appeals 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 in respect of all four cases.

(e) Hearing 44 (10/11)

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 child not to attend the priority school.

The Chairman would follow up the comments made by the Children's Services Representative to seek reassurance that the improvements stated at the school had been introduced.

RESOLVED :

THAT the appeal be refused.

CHAIRMAN