



# Minutes

Name of meeting	<b>GENERAL PURPOSES (APPEALS) SUB COMMITTEE</b>
Date and time	<b>FRIDAY, 24 JULY 2009 COMMENCING AT 9.30 AM</b>
Venue	<b>COMMITTEE ROOM ONE, COUNTY HALL, NEWPORT, ISLE OF WIGHT</b>
Present	Cllrs Paul Fuller, Colin Richards, David Whittaker
Officers Present	Julie Martin, Amanda Page

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**5. Election of Chairman for the Day**

**RESOLVED :**

THAT Councillor David Whittaker be elected Chairman for the day.

**6. Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations at this stage.

**7. 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 8, 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.

**8. 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 06 (09/10)

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

The appellant and her representative then outlined her case highlighting several points from the documentation previously submitted. The Children's Services representative and 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, including the appellant's medical condition, 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.

RESOLVED :

THAT the appeal be refused

(b) Hearing 08 (09/10)

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

The appellant then outlined his case highlighting several points from the documentation previously submitted. The Children's Services representative and 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.

RESOLVED :

THAT the appeal be refused

(c) Hearing 09 (09/10)

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 his written submission, including the additional information and her financial circumstances, 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 12 (09/10)

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

The appellant then outlined his case highlighting several points from the documentation previously submitted. The Children's Services representative and 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 children not to attend their priority school.

RESOLVED :

THAT the appeal be refused

CHAIRMAN