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Name of meeting	GENERAL PURPOSES (APPEALS) SUB COMMITTEE
Date and time	MONDAY, 31 OCTOBER 2011 COMMENCING AT 1.00 PM
Venue	COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNTY HALL, HIGH STREET, NEWPORT, ISLE OF WIGHT
Present	Cllr Susan Scoccia (Chair), Paul Fuller, Colin Richards
Officers Present	Marie Bartlett, Janet Giles, Sarah Linington

19. Minutes

RESOLVED :

THAT the Minutes of the meeting held on <u>12 October 2011</u> be confirmed.

20. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations at this time

21. 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 22, 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.

22. Confidential Report of the Head of Learning and Achievement

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

Hearing 84 (11/12)

The appellant attended for this item

The Sub Committee received representations from the Children's Services representative. Following those representations, Members asked questions.

The appellant then outlined his case highlighting points from his previously submitted documentation, Members then asked various 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 oral and written submissions, decided that the appeal be upheld for the remainder of the 2011/12 academic year.

RESOLVED:

THAT the appeal be upheld for the remainder of the 2011/12 academic year.

Hearing 82 (11/12)

The Sub Committee agreed to delay the start of the appeal for ten minutes to allow the appellant additional time to attend. The appellant failed to attend so the hearing was held in her absence.

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

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

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

RESOLVED:

THAT the appeal be refused

Hearing 83 (11/12)

The appellant attended for this item

The Sub Committee received representations from the Children's Services representative. Following those representations, Members asked various questions

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

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

The Sub Committee could see no compelling evidence or reason to exercise their discretion to override the Isle of Wight Council's Transport Policy. Then having considered all the reasons given by the appellant in her written and oral submissions, decided that the appeal should be refused.

RESOLVED:

THAT the appeal be refused

Hearing 88 (11/12)

The appellant attended for this item.

At the start of the hearing it was noted that the appellant and the representative from Children's Services were acquainted, although they had not spoken for some years. Both parties agreed to proceed with the hearing.

The Sub Committee received representations from the Children's Services representative. Members of the Sub Committee then asked questions.

The appellant outlined her case highlighting points from the previously submitted documentation. Following those points Members asked various questions of the appellant.

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

The Sub Committee could see no compelling evidence or reason to exercise their discretion to override the Isle of Wight Council's Transport Policy. Then having considered all the reasons given by the appellant in her oral and written submissions, decided that the appeal should be refused. It was noted that the appellant had exercised her parental choice for her child not to attend their priority school.

RESOLVED:

THAT the appeal be refused

Hearing 87 (11/12)

The appellant attended for this item

The Sub Committee received representations from the Children's Services representative. Members of the Sub Committee then asked questions.

The appellant then outlined his case highlighting points from the previously submitted documentation. Following those points, Members asked questions.

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

The Sub Committee could see no compelling evidence or reason to exercise their discretion to override the Isle of Wight Council's Transport Policy. Then having considered all the reasons given by the appellant in his oral and written submissions. Decided that the appeal should be refused

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

RESOLVED:

THAT the appeal be refused.

CHAIRMAN