

Appeals Panel (School Transport)

MINUTES OF THE APPEALS PANEL (SCHOOL TRANSPORT) MEETING HELD ON 28 MARCH 2022 AT THE LACOCK ROOM - COUNTY HALL, TROWBRIDGE.

Present:

Cllr Allison Bucknell, Cllr Adrian Foster and Cllr Tamara Reay

1 Election of Chairman

Cllr Allison Bucknell was elected as Chairman for this appeal only.

Cllr Allison Bucknell in the Chair

2 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3 Minutes

The minutes of the School Transport Appeal held on 2 March 2022 were presented for consideration and it was;

Resolved:

To approve the minutes of the School Transport Appeal held on 2 March 2022.

4 Meeting procedure

The Chairman outlined the meeting procedure as detailed in the agenda.

5 Exclusion of the press and public

The panel considered whether or not to hold the meeting in closed session and it was:

Resolved:

To exclude members of the press and public for the business specified in Item no. 6 in accordance with section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, (paragraph 1 and 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act).

6 **School transport appeal**

The panel heard representations and replies from the Transport Officer and the appellant and asked questions of the parties involved. Upon consideration of this information, it was,

Resolved:

The Panel acknowledged that the distance rule was not relevant to the appeal but that the Council had a duty to make necessary arrangements. The Panel's decision was that the necessary arrangements made by the Local Authority should include travel training and that when accompaniment is not available, a suitable DBS-checked chaperone is provided.

Note:

Following the conclusion and determination of the Appeal, held on 28 March 2022, email correspondence was provided by Heidi Hunter, SEND Transport Coordinator, sent by the Adult Social Care Team which outlined a request for support for the Appellant's Daughter in four parts. The support package offered that on the days in which the Appellant's Daughter would attend college (Monday and Tuesday), support would be provided to go to college and then return home after. This was in line with Sub-Committee's decision, and details of the correspondence was provided to the appellant.

(Duration of meeting: 10.25am – 12.37pm)

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