

Appeals Panel (School Transport)

MINUTES OF THE APPEALS PANEL (SCHOOL TRANSPORT) MEETING HELD ON 5 APRIL 2022 AT WEST WILTSHIRE ROOM - COUNTY HALL, BYTHESEA ROAD, TROWBRIDGE, BA14 8JN.

Present:

Cllr Tony Jackson, Cllr Graham Wright and Cllr David Vigar

1 Election of Chairman

Cllr Tony Jackson was elected as Chairman for this appeal only.

Cllr Tony Jackson in the Chair

2 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3 Minutes

The minutes of the School Transport Appeal held on 28 March 2022 were presented for consideration and it was;

Resolved:

To approve the minutes of the School Transport Appeal held on 28 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. 5 in accordance with section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, (paragraph 1 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 heard the evidence and concluded that the policy had been correctly applied by the Transport Officer.

Due to exceptional family circumstances, the Panel saw the benefit of supporting the parent with 60% of the cost of the child's travel whilst the parent meets the low-income criteria for the extended provisions in the Council's policy. It accordingly decided that such support should be provided.

(Duration of meeting: 10.00am – 10.50am)

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