

# **Appeals Panel (School Transport)**

MINUTES OF THE APPEALS PANEL (SCHOOL TRANSPORT) MEETING HELD ON 1 AUGUST 2022 AT COMMITTEE ROOM A - COUNCIL OFFICES, MONKTON PARK, CHIPPENHAM SN15 1ER.

### **Present**:

Cllr Allison Bucknell, Cllr Tony Jackson 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**

Cllr Allison Bucknell stated that having read the Agenda Supplement she was familiar with the Grandparents of the child through Council work and seeing them on the High Street. Cllr Bucknell stated that this would not affect her decision making.

### 3 Minutes

The minutes of the School Transport Appeal held on 18 May 2022 were presented for consideration and it was;

#### Resolved:

To approve the minutes of the School Transport Appeal held on 18 May 2022.

## 4 <u>Meeting procedure</u>

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:

Having received and examined the evidence provided from all parties, the Panel concluded that given the parental choice and the location of the home being outside of the designated transport area for the school, there was no reason for the Panel to make exception to the policy and therefore the appeal was refused.

(Duration of meeting: 10.00am - 11.03am)

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