# BOURNEMOUTH, CHRISTCHURCH AND POOLE COUNCIL APPEALS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting held on 18 May 2021 at 9.30 am

Present:-

Cllr S C Anderson – Chairman Cllr N Hedges – Vice-Chairman

Present: Cllr P Hilliard, Cllr M Le Poidevin, Cllr P Miles, Cllr B Dunlop and

Cllr A M Stribley

### 1. Election of Chairman 2021/22

Councillor S Anderson was elected Chairman of the Appeals Committee for 2021/22.

Voting: unanimous

## 2. <u>Election of Vice Chairman 2021/22</u>

Councillor Hedges was elected Vice Chairman of the Appeals Committee for 2021/22.

Voting: unanimous

## 3. Apologies

Apologies had been received from Councillors Filer and Kelly.

#### 4. Substitute Members

Councillor Dunlop attended as the substitute member for Councillor Kelly and Councillor Stribley for Councillor Filer.

#### 5. Declarations of Interests

There were no declarations of interest received.

#### 6. Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the meetings held on 30 March and 13 April 2021 were agreed as an accurate and correct record.

Voting: unanimous

## 7. Exclusion of the Press and Public

RESOLVED that:- The Committee exclude the Press and Public for item 8 of the Agenda under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds of the likely disclosure of exempt

information, as defined in Paragraphs 1 and 2 in Part I of Schedule 12A of the Act, as the public interest in withholding the information outweighs such interest in disclosing the information.

## 8. School Transport Appeal

09:37 – Councillors Dunlop, Hilliard and Stribley left the meeting, as they were not hearting the application.

Exempt Report as defined in Paragraphs 1 and 2 in Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

The Committee considered an appeal against the refusal to provide home to school transport assistance in the form of a taxi, as detailed in the report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as Appendix A to these minutes in the Minute Book.

#### **DECISION MADE:**

In considering the appeal, the Committee had regard to all the supporting information provided by the Local Authority and the appellant, including the verbal submissions made by the Local Authority and the appellant at the meeting.

RESOLVED that, having taken careful note of all the evidence presented by all parties, the appeal, in respect of the appellant named in the report, be upheld. The Committee found that the home to school transport policy had been applied correctly and agreed that there were exceptional circumstances to depart from the home to school transport policy on this occasion.

Voting: unanimous

The meeting ended at 10.20 am

**CHAIRMAN**