

BOURNEMOUTH, CHRISTCHURCH AND POOLE COUNCIL
APPEALS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting held on 10 March 2020 at 10.00 am

Present:-

– Chairman

– Vice-Chairman

Present: Cllr S C Anderson, Cllr D Borthwick, Cllr G Farquhar and
Cllr M Le Poidevin (Vice-Chair, in the Chair)

Also in
attendance:

63. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr P Miles.

64. Substitute Members

There were none.

Due to Cllr P Miles apologies, Cllr N Hedges attended as a reserve member.

65. Declarations of Interests

Cllr N Hedges declared for transparency that he was the Ward Councillor for one of the appellants.

66. Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting on 11 February 2020 were confirmed as an accurate record.

67. Exclusion of the Press and Public

RESOLVED that:- The Committee exclude the Press and Public for items 6, 7 and 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.

68. School Transport Appeal

The Committee considered an appeal against the refusal to provide home to school transport assistance in the form of a dedicated school bus pass.

In considering the appeal, the Committee had regard to all the supporting information provided on behalf of the appellant and by the Local Authority, including 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 Report at '6' be upheld, as there were exceptional circumstances to depart from the Home to School Transport Policy on this occasion. The assistance was granted in the form of a taxi, for the child to travel to and from school each day until the end of the current academic year.

69. School Transport Appeal

The Committee considered an appeal against the refusal to provide home to school transport assistance in the form of a bus pass.

In considering the appeal, the Committee had regard to all the supporting information provided on behalf of the appellant and by the Local Authority, including 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 Report at '7', not be upheld. The Committee agreed that the Home to School Transport Policy had been applied correctly and there were insufficient grounds to support a departure from the Council's policy on this occasion.

70. School Transport Appeal

The Committee considered an appeal against the refusal to provide home to school transport assistance in the form of a bus pass.

In considering the appeal, the Committee had regard to all the supporting information provided on behalf of the appellant and by the Local Authority, including 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 Report at '8', not be upheld. The Committee agreed that the Home to School Transport Policy had been applied correctly and there were insufficient grounds to support a departure from the Council's policy on this occasion.