BOURNEMOUTH, CHRISTCHURCH AND POOLE COUNCIL APPEALS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting held on 13 February 2024 at 10.00 am

Present:Cllr K Rampton – Chair
Cllr M Dower – Vice-Chair

Present: Cllr M Le Poidevin and Cllr C Rigby

73. Apologies

There were no apologies for absence.

74. Substitute Members

There were no substitute members.

75. Declarations of Interests

The were no declarations of interest.

76. Exclusion of the Press and Public

RESOLVED That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 1 and 2 in Part I of Schedule 12A of the Act and that the public interest in withholding the information outweighs such interest in disclosing the information.

77. School Transport Appeal - Case 1

This item was restricted by virtue of paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

Exempt information – Categories 1 (information relating to any individual) and 2 (information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual).

Present:

Sinead O'Callaghan – Clerk, Democratic Services Claire Johnston – Democratic Services Support Nicky Hooley – Democratic Services (observing) Carly Williams – Admissions and Transport The appellant was present

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 granted. Home to school transport assistance is granted in the form of a taxi to take the appellant from home to school in the morning and from school to home at the end of the school day, until the end of the academic year.

The Committee found that the home to school transport policy had been applied correctly but agreed that there were exceptional circumstances to depart from the home to school transport policy on this occasion.

The meeting ended at 11.35 am

CHAIR