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Meeting	Education Appeals Panel
Date	17 February 2016
Present	Councillors Gates, Jackson and Wells

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**23. Appointment of Chair**

Resolved: That Councillor Wells be appointed to Chair the meeting.

**24. Exclusion of Press and Public**

Resolved: That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of agenda items 5 and 6 on the grounds that they contain information relating to individuals and which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual. This information is classed as exempt under paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 12A to Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information)(Variation)Order 2006.

**25. Declarations of Interest**

Members were asked to declare any personal interests not included on the Register of Interests, any prejudicial interests or any disclosable pecuniary interests which they may have in respect of business on the agenda. None were declared.

**26. Minutes**

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting held on 13 January 2016 be approved and signed as a correct record.

**27. Home to School Transport Appeal**

Members considered an appeal from parents regarding the Local Authority's decision not to provide free home to school transport to Acomb Primary School for the Summer Term 2016.

The parents had forwarded their apologies for absence.

Resolved: That the appeal not be upheld.

Reason: There were now no exceptional circumstances in this case to deviate from normal policy.

## **28. Home to School Transport Appeal**

Members considered an appeal from parents regarding the Local Authority's decision not to provide free home to school transport to St Oswald's Primary School on a permanent basis.

The parents were in attendance.

Resolved: (i) That the appeal not be upheld.

(ii) That the Local Authority be requested to explore the suggestions put forward by the Panel to assist the family, as detailed in the decision letter to the parent.

Reason: There were no exceptional circumstances in this case to deviate from normal policy.

Chair

The meeting started at 3.00 pm and finished at 4.10 pm.