
Meeting	Education Appeals Panel
Date	23 November 2016
Present	Councillors Gates, Wells and Mason (Substitute for Councillor Jackson)
Apologies	Councillor Jackson

11. Election of Chair

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

12. Exclusion of Press and Public

Resolved: That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of agenda item 5 on the grounds that it contains information relating to an individual 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.

13. 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.

14. Minutes

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting held on 19 October 2016 be approved as a correct record and then signed by the Chair.

15. 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.

The parent had been invited to attend the meeting but was not present.

- Resolved:
- (i) That the appeal for assistance with home to school transport not be upheld.
 - (ii) That it be suggested to the parent that they explore the possibility of purchasing a YOzone card to reduce the travel costs, and advised of their right to reapply for assistance should their income reduce further.

- Reason:
- (i) There were no exceptional circumstances in this case to deviate from the policy.
 - (ii) To seek to support the parent, taking into consideration the information provided on their appeal form.

Chair

The meeting started at 3.30 pm and finished at 3.45 pm.