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**SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**Meeting of Appeals Committee A**

**Date: Wednesday, 16th December, 2020**

**Place: Virtual Meeting - MS Teams**

**Present:** Councillor M Stafford (Chair)  
Councillors D Cowan (Vice-Chair), M Borton, D Garne, D Garston  
and C Walker

**In Attendance:** R Harris

**Start/End Time:** 9.30 - 11.20 am

**676 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Ayling (no substitute).

**677 Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest at this meeting.

**678 Exclusion of the Public**

Resolved:-

That, under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the items of business set out below, on the grounds that they would involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act and that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

**679 School Transport Appeal - Pupil SM**

The Committee considered a report of the Executive Director (Children and Public Health), together with supporting correspondence from the parent of pupils SM and MM, in connection with applications for home to school transport assistance.

The appellant was in attendance and presented their case and reasons.

Resolved:

That the appeal be upheld and home to school transport assistance be granted for pupils SM and MM.

**680 School Transport Appeal - Pupil MM**

This appeal was considered in conjunction with Minute 679 above.

**681 School Transport Appeal - Pupil JLD**

The Committee considered a report of the Executive Director (Children and Public Health), together with supporting correspondence from the parent of pupil JLD, in connection with an application for home to school transport assistance.

The appellant was in attendance and presented their case and reasons.

Resolved:

That there being no circumstances reported which would justify a departure from the Council's policy, the appeal be dismissed.

**682 School Transport Appeal - Pupil BS**

The Committee considered a report of the Executive Director (Children and Public Health), together with supporting correspondence from the parent of pupil BS, in connection with applications for home to school transport assistance.

The parent was unable to attend to present their case and therefore the Committee considered the submitted written evidence and information.

Resolved:

That the appeal be upheld and home to school transport assistance be granted for pupil BS.

**Chair:** \_\_\_\_\_