

# **SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL**

## **Meeting of Appeals Committee A**

**Date: Wednesday, 17th November, 2021**

**Place: Committee Room 1 - Civic Suite**

**Present:** Councillor M Stafford (Chair)  
Councillors D Garne, B Beggs, S Buckley, A Line and \*K Mitchell

\*Substitute in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 31.

**In Attendance:** R Harris and A Smith

**Start/End Time:** 9.30 am - 12.20 pm

### **453 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Berry (substitute: Cllr Mitchell) and Thompson (no substitute).

### **454 Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest at this meeting.

### **455 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.

### **456 School Transport Appeal - AL**

The Committee considered a report of the Executive Director (Children and Public Health), together with supporting correspondence from the parent of students AL and EL, 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 students AL and EL to the end of the academic year.

**457 School Transport Appeal - EL**

This appeal was considered in conjunction with Minute 456 above.

**458 School Transport Appeal - EM**

The Committee considered a report of the Executive Director (Children and Public Health), together with supporting correspondence from the parent of students EM and HM, in connection with an application 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:

1. That the appeal be upheld and home to school transport assistance be granted for student EM to the end of the academic year.

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

**459 School Transport Appeal - HM**

This appeal was considered in conjunction with Minute 458 above.

**460 School Transport Appeal - KC**

The Committee considered a report of the Executive Director (Children and Public Health), together with supporting correspondence from the parent of pupil KC, in connection with an application 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 student KC to the end of the academic year.

**461 School Transport Appeal - YC**

The Committee considered a report of the Executive Director (Children and Public Health), together with supporting correspondence from the parent of pupil YC, in connection with an application 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 student YC to the end of the academic year.

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