

EDUCATION TRANSPORT APPEALS SUB-COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, 21 SEPTEMBER 2021

PRESENT:- Councillors Ray Ballman, Bazil Solomon and Caryl Sydney-Smith.

6. Appointment of Chair

Resolved – That Councillor Bazil Solomon Chair this meeting of the Sub-Committee.

Councillor Bazil Solomon took the Chair.

7. Declarations of Interest

The Chair reminded Members of the need to declare any known interests in any matter to be considered at the meeting. No declarations were made.

8. Minutes

Resolved – That the minutes of the meeting held on 1st September 2020 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

9. Exempt Items - Exclusion of Press and Public

Resolved – That in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1992, the public be excluded during the discussion of the matters referred in Agenda item 8 on the grounds that it would involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act, and that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information concerned (Minute 5 refers).

10. Home to School Transport Appeals

On consideration of (a) a report of the Director of Children Services setting out education transport appeals that officers could not determine under delegated authority, and (b) the comments and written submission of parents.

Resolved – (1) That due to the exceptional circumstances set out in the appeal, the appeal for RM be upheld and a bus pass be provided for this scholastic term to allow an admission appeal to be lodged.

2) That, due to the exceptional circumstances set out in the appeal, the appeal for MC be upheld and a personal travel budget be allocated.

(3) That, due to the exceptional circumstances set out in the appeal, the appeal for TB be upheld and a personal travel budget for this scholastic term be allocated.

(4) Further to (3) above, the Sub-Committee requested an update following completion of investigations by the 0-25 Statutory Services Team Leader with West Berkshire Council.