

## **EDUCATION TRANSPORT APPEALS SUB-COMMITTEE**

**THURSDAY, 3 NOVEMBER 2011**

PRESENT:- Councillors Mavis Childs, John Ballman and Sinead Darker.

### **29. Appointment of Chair**

Resolved – That Councillor Sinead Darker be Chair of the Sub-Committee.

(Councillor Darker took the Chair.)

### **30. Declarations of Interest**

The Chair reminded Members of the need to declare any known interests in any matters to be considered at the meeting. Councillors Sinead Darker and John Ballman made non-prejudicial declarations of interest in respect of Agenda Item No. 6 in their capacity as Ward Councillors for the Wards in which two of the appellants lived. As they had no previous involvement with the appellants, Councillors Darker and Ballman remained in the room and participated fully in the discussions relating to these appeals.

### **31. Minutes**

Resolved – That the minutes of the meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2011, be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

### **32. Exempt Items - Exclusion of Press and Public**

Resolved - That, in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded during the discussion of the matters referred in Agenda Item 6 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 33 refers.)

### **33. Home to School Transport Appeals**

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

Resolved – (1) That, due to the exceptional circumstances outlined in the appeals, appeal numbers TA/11/313 and TA/11/308 be upheld.

(2) That, due to there being no exceptional circumstances, appeal number TA/11/284 be refused.

(3) That appeal number TA/11/305 be deferred to enable further information to be obtained from the Education Welfare Officer.