

MINUTES OF THE APPEALS AND PLANNING REVIEW COMMITTEE HELD AT THE TOWN HALL, PETERBOROUGH ON 10 APRIL 2017

Members Present: Councillors Elsey (Chairman), Holdich (Vice-Chairman), Over, Peach,

Ali, Lane, Whitby, and Bull

Officers Present: Bryony Wolstenholme, Acting Team Manager, Passenger Transport

Operations

Chris Gordon, Legal Services

Pippa Turvey, Democratic and Constitutional Services Manager

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors Seaton and Barkham. Councillor Bull was in attendance as substitute for Councillor Seaton.

2. Apologies for Absence

3. Minutes of the Meeting Held on:

3.1 11 April 2016

The minutes of the meeting held on 11 April 2016 were agreed as a true and accurate record.

3.2 21 February 2017

The minutes of the meeting held on 21 February 2017 were agreed as a true and accurate record.

4. Minutes of the Sub-Committee Hearings Held Between June 2016 and March 2017

The minutes of the meetings held between June 2016 and March were agreed as a true and accurate record.

5. Review of Transport Appeals Held Under the Terms and Conditions of the Children's Services Transport Policies

The Committee received a yearly update report detailing the outcomes of the home to school transport appeals held during 2016/2017.

The Acting Team Manager, Passenger Transport Operations introduced the report and explained that an increase in the number of appeals had been seen. This was believed to be due to a change in process, following a ruling from the Ombudsman, that the two stage appeal process must be available to all applicants.

Members discussed the report and key points raised including:

- The increase in second stage applications had been approximately 100%.
- Three appeals had been upheld at the first stage. One of these was as a result of officer error, and the remaining two were exceptional circumstances.

RESOLVED: that the Appeals and Planning Review Committee noted the transport appeals held during 2016/2017.

Reason for Decision:

To ensure that the Committee was informed and kept up to date with the outcomes of transport appeals made under the policies in place at the time.

Chairman 7.00pm to 7:07pm