

## **DORSET COUNCIL - APPEALS COMMITTEE**

### **MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 6 JANUARY 2020**

**Present:** Cllrs Nocturin Lacey-Clarke (Chairman), Carole Jones (Vice-Chairman), Mike Barron, Kelvin Clayton, David Gray, Nick Ireland, Stella Jones, Paul Kimber, Howard Legg and Emma Parker

**Apologies:** Cllrs Jane Somper and John Worth

**Officers present (for all or part of the meeting):**

Emily Bearman (Casework Officer, School Admissions), Vicky Diaz (Transport Team Manager), Simon Horlock (Transport Development Support Officer) and Liz Eaton (Democratic Services Officer)

**19. Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 8 November 2019 were confirmed and signed.

**20. Declarations of Interest**

No declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests were made at the meeting.

**21. Public Participation**

There were no public questions or statements received at the meeting.

**22. Urgent items**

The Chairman raised the issue of future meeting arrangements as he considered it to be slightly overwhelming for members of the public to be faced with the full membership of the Committee and suggested future meetings to hear transport appeals should be quorate with 5 members, the Chairman and Vice-Chairman plus 3 other members of the Committee subject to availability.

The Committee discussed the issue and all were in agreement with the suggestion.

**Resolved**

That the Constitution be amended to allow that all future meetings of the Appeals Committee to hear transport appeals be quorate with 5 members, the Chairman and Vice-Chairman plus 3 other members of the Committee subject to availability.

23. **Exempt Business**

Decision

That the press and the public be excluded for the following item(s) in view of the likely disclosure of exempt information within the meaning of Paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 12 A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

24. **School Transport Appeals (Paragraphs 1 and 2)**

The Committee considered a number of appeals against the Council's refusal to provide pupils with transport support.

**Resolved**

That the appeal on behalf of MP and RP against the Council's refusal to provide transport support between their home and Holy Trinity CE VC Primary School, be allowed until the end of term July 2020.

**Duration of meeting:** 10.00 - 10.40 am

**Chairman**

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