

DORSET COUNCIL - APPEALS COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 9 MARCH 2020

Present: Cllrs Nocturin Lacey-Clarke (Chairman), Nick Ireland, Stella Jones, Paul Kimber, Howard Legg and John Worth

Apologies: Cllrs Carole Jones, Mike Barron, Kelvin Clayton, David Gray, Emma Parker and Jane Somper

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

Vicky Diaz (Transport Team Manager), Dave Pickard (Transport Development Support Officer), Sian Robinson (School Admissions Co-Ordinator), Becky Woolmington (Senior Casework Officer, School Admissions) and Liz Eaton (Democratic Services Officer)

25. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 6 January 2020 were confirmed and signed.

26. Matters Arising

Minute 22 – Urgent Items

Members asked that an item be placed on the agenda for the next meeting of the Committee to discuss the membership of meetings.

27. Declarations of Interest

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

28. Public Participation

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

29. Urgent items

There were no urgent items.

30. Contributions from parents towards the cost of transporting their child/children to school

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Officers explained how the surplus seat scheme was administered and why it would not be possible to receive contributions from parents as statutorily

eligible children should receive free transport. It might also cause a 2 tier system for those who could not afford to make a contribution.

Noted

31. 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).

32. School Transport Appeals (Paragraphs 1 and 2)

The Committee considered an appeal against the Council's refusal to provide a pupil with transport support.

Resolved

That the appeal on behalf of EK against the Council's refusal to provide transport support between their home and Queen Elizabeth's School, be allowed until the end of term July 2020.

Duration of meeting: 10.00 - 11.30 am

Chairman

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