



City and County of Swansea

Minutes of the **Appeals & Awards Committee**

Room 235 (Councillors Meeting Room) - Guildhall, Swansea

Thursday, 15 November 2018 at 2.00 pm

Present:

Councillor(s)

J A Hale

Councillor(s)

J W Jones

Councillor(s)

D W W Thomas

Officer(s)

Barrie Gilbert

Allison Lowe

Tracey Meredith

Kate Phillips

Senior Transport Officer

Democratic Services Officer

Chief Legal Officer

Head of School Support Unit

Apologies for Absence

Councillor(s): J E Burtonshaw, J P Curtice and H M Morris

26 Election of a Chair for the 2018-2019 Municipal Year.

Resolved that Councillor D W W Thomas be elected Chair for the 2018-2019 Municipal Year.

Councillor D W W Thomas (Chair) Presided

27 Election of a Vice Chair for the 2018-2019 Municipal Year.

Resolved that Councillor J E Burtonshaw be elected Vice Chair for the 2018-2019 Municipal Year.

28 Disclosures of Personal and Prejudicial Interests.

In accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted by the City & County of Swansea, no interests were declared.

29 Minutes.

Resolved that the Minutes of the Appeals and Awards Committee held on 31 August 2017 be approved and signed as a correct record.

30 School Transport Appeal - Procedure.

Resolved that the School Transport Appeal Procedure was **noted**.

31 City and County of Swansea - Home to School Transport Policy.

Resolved that the City & County of Swansea – Home to School Transport Policy was **noted**.

32 Welsh Government - Learner Travel - Statutory Provision and Operational Guidance.

Resolved that the Welsh Government – Learner Travel – Statutory Provision and Operational Guidance was **noted**.

33 Learner Travel (Wales) Measure 2008.

Resolved that the Learner Travel (Wales) Measure 2008 was **noted**.

34 Welsh Government - School Admissions Code.

Resolved that the Welsh Government – School Admissions Code was **noted**.

35 Exclusion of the Public.

The Committee was requested to exclude the public from the meeting during consideration of the item(s) of business identified in its recommendation(s) to the report on the grounds that it/they involve(s) the disclosure of exempt information as set out in the exclusion paragraph of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007, relevant to the item(s) of business set out in the report.

The Committee considered the Public Interest Test in deciding whether to exclude the public from the meeting for the items of business where the Public Interest Test was relevant as set out in the report.

Resolved that the public be excluded for the following items on the agenda.

(Closed Session)

36 School Transport Appeal.

The Committee heard an appeal by the parent PH-G. The appeal was brought against the Department's decision in relation to eligibility for free home to school transport from his home address to Bishopston Comprehensive School.

Resolved that the appeal by PH-G be **dismissed**.

The meeting ended at 3.10 pm

Chair