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Decision Summary

Committee:

Date:

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APPEALS PANEL

TUESDAY 16 DECEMBER 2025

Stacey Hofmann

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Chair

Councillor David Longstaff

Councillors Attended

Councillor Alex Vickers

Attendees

Heather Thompson, Appeals Officer

Russell Williams, Operational Manager, Public Protection

Sharon Ainley, Passenger Travel Manager

Observers

Courtney Smith, Travel Assessment Unit Officer

Laura Murphy, Democracy Officer

Apologies

Councillor Gwen Lowe

1 Membership of the Panel

To receive apologies for absence from those Members who are unable to attend the meeting.

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillor Gwen Lowe

2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

To approve the Minutes of the meetings of the Panel held on the 25th November 2025 and 3rd December 2025.

RESOLVED -

That the Minutes of the meetings held on 25th November 2025 and 3rd December 2025 be approved as a correct record.

3 Declaration of Interests

Members will be asked to say if there are any items on the Agenda in which they have any disclosable pecuniary interests or any other interests, which may prevent them from participating in any discussion of the items or participating in any vote upon the items.

No interests were declared.

4 Exclusion of the Public

To resolve that under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

RESOLVED -

That the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of agenda items 5, 6, 7 and 8 (Minute No.s 5, 6, 7 and 8 refer) because the items contained exempt information by virtue of paragraph 1 (information relating to any individual) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

5 School Transport Appeal (Pre-16) - TW

This report is recommended for consideration in private because the information contained in it is exempt information within Paragraph 1 of part 1 to schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (access to Information) variation order 2006. It is considered the report contains information relating to any individual.

The public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosure of the information in terms of accountability, transparency and openness in council decision making.

To consider the appeal at 9:30am

RESOLVED -

That the appeal in respect of TW be adjourned.

6 School Transport Appeal (Pre-16) - DD

This report is recommended for consideration in private because the information contained in it is exempt information within Paragraph 1 of part 1 to schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (access to Information) variation order 2006. It is considered the report contains information relating to any individual.

The public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosure of the information in terms of accountability, transparency and openness in council decision making.

To consider the appeal at 10:15am

RESOLVED -

That the appeal in respect of DD be upheld.

7 School Transport Appeal (Pre-16) - JJ

This report is recommended for consideration in private because the information contained in it is exempt information within Paragraph 1 of part 1 to schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (access to Information) variation order 2006. It is considered the report contains information relating to any individual.

The public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosure of the information in terms of accountability, transparency and openness in council decision making.

To consider the appeal at 11:15am

RESOLVED -

That the appeal in respect of JJ be adjourned.

8 Travel Assistance Appeal (Post-16) - FN

This report is recommended for consideration in private because the information contained in it is exempt information within Paragraph 1 of part 1 to schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (access to Information) variation order 2006. It is considered the report contains information relating to any individual.

The public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosure of the information in terms of accountability, transparency and openness in council decision making.

To consider the appeal at 12:00pm

RESOLVED -

That the appeal in respect of FN be adjourned.
