

Medway Council
Meeting of School Transport and Curriculum Appeals
Committee

Thursday, 20 March 2025

9.30am to 12.25pm

Record of the meeting

Subject to approval as an accurate record at the next meeting of this committee

Present: Councillors: Barrett, Coombs and Price

Substitutes: Councillors:
Howcroft-Scott (Substitute for Mandaracas)

In Attendance: Nicola Couchman, Democratic Services Officer
Stephanie Davis, Democratic Services Officer
Victoria O'Neill, Legal Advisor
Laura Phillips, School Transport and Contracts Programme
Lead
Laura Wood, Transport Liaison Officer

767 Election of Chairperson

Councillor Coombs was elected as Chairperson for the meeting.

768 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Anang and Mandaracas.

769 Record of meeting

The record of the meeting held on 16 January 2025 was agreed and signed by the Chairperson as correct.

770 Urgent matters by reason of special circumstances

There were none.

771 Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and Other Significant Interests

Disclosable pecuniary interests

There were none.

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Other significant interests (OSIs)

There were none.

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There were none.

772 Exclusion of the press and public

The Committee agreed that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the exempt material relating to agenda item 6 because consideration of these matters in public would disclose information falling within one or more categories of exempt information contained in Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as specified in agenda item 6 and, in all the circumstances of the case, the Committee considered that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information.

773 Home to school transport appeals - matters for decision

Discussion:

The Committee considered two appeals in respect of the provision of home to school transport.

Decision:

- (a) That case number STASEN43, as set out in the exempt annex to the agenda, was not upheld.
- (b) That case number STASEN44, as set out in the exempt annex to the agenda, was not upheld.

Chairperson

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