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**FRIDAY, 7 SEPTEMBER 2018**

**TO: MEMBERS HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT APPEALS PANEL**

I HEREBY SUMMON YOU TO ATTEND A MEETING OF THE **MEMBERS HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT APPEALS PANEL** WHICH WILL BE HELD IN THE **COMMITTEE ROOM 2, SPILMAN ST, CARMARTHEN AT 2.00 PM, ON MONDAY, 17<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2018** FOR THE TRANSACTION OF THE BUSINESS OUTLINED ON THE ATTACHED AGENDA

*Mark James* CBE

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE**



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**MEMBERS HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT APPEALS  
PANEL  
3 OR 4 MEMBERS**

**EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENT**

1. Councillor **H.A.L. Evans**

**EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER FOR EDUCATION & CHILDREN**

1. Councillor **G. Davies**

**LOCAL MEMBER(S) FOR THE APPELLANT LEARNER'S WARD**

1. Councillor **D. Jenkins**

**NOTE:-**

1. THE CHAIR OF THE MEMBERS APPEAL PANEL SHALL BE THE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENT (OR IN HIS OR HER ABSENCE THE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER FOR EDUCATION AND CHILDRENS SERVICES)
2. NO SUBSTITUTES ARE ALLOWED AT MEETINGS OF THE PANEL

# AGENDA

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THE REPORT RELATING TO THE FOLLOWING ITEM IS NOT FOR PUBLICATION AS IT CONTAINS EXEMPT INFORMATION AS DEFINED IN PARAGRAPH 12 OF PART 4 OF SCHEDULE 12A TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1972 AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) (VARIATION) (WALES) ORDER 2007. IF FOLLOWING THE APPLICATION OF THE PUBLIC INTEREST TEST THE PANEL RESOLVES PURSUANT TO THE ACT TO CONSIDER THIS ITEM IN PRIVATE, THE PUBLIC WILL BE EXCLUDED FROM THE MEETING DURING SUCH CONSIDERATION
5. TO CONSIDER AN APPEAL BY APPLICANT C.M. AGAINST A DECISION BY OFFICERS FOR THE NON-PROVISION OF FREE SCHOOL TRANSPORT. 25 - 50

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**MEMBERS HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT APPEALS PANEL**

**WEDNESDAY, 18<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2018**

**PRESENT:** Councillor H.A.L. Evans [Chair]

**Councillors:** G. Davies and H.I. Jones

**The following Officers were in attendance:**

Mr S. Pilliner	-	Head of Transportation & Highways
Mr A. John	-	Assistant Solicitor
Ms L. McFarlane	-	Learner Travel Policy & Development Officer
Mrs S. Williams	-	Senior School Organisation Officer
Mrs M. Evans Thomas	-	Principal Democratic Services Officer

**Committee Room 2, 3 Spilman Street, Carmarthen : 2.00 p.m. - 2.25 p.m.**

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST**

There were no declarations of personal interest.

**3. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** pursuant to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007 that the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item as the report contained exempt information as defined in Paragraph 12 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

**4. TO CONSIDER AN APPEAL BY APPLICANT K.B. AGAINST A DECISION BY OFFICERS FOR THE NON-PROVISION OF FREE SCHOOL TRANSPORT.**

Following the application of the public interest test it was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED**, pursuant to the Act referred to in Minute 3 above, to consider this matter in private, with the public excluded from the meeting, as it would involve the disclosure of exempt information relating to a particular individual.

The public interest test in this matter related to the fact that the report included personal information relating to the applicant. Disclosure would support transparency and accountability in the decision making process, however, on balance the public interest in maintaining confidentiality outweighed the public interest in disclosure because of the need to protect the identity of the applicant and the family.

The Panel considered the written representations of the appellant in respect of the refusal of the Stage 1 Review Panel to grant K.B. free school transport to a school which was not the nearest or Local Education Authority designated school for the

home address and therefore, did not meet the criteria outlined in the Council's policy for the provision of assistance.

The Panel considered the observations of the departmental officers, together with the individual circumstances of the case.

**RESOLVED** that in line with the Authority's Home to School Transport Policy, the appeal be refused on the basis that K.B. was not attending the nearest or Local Education Authority designated school for the home address, due to parental preference.

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CHAIR

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DATE

**MEMBERS HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT APPEALS PANEL****WEDNESDAY, 18 JULY 2018****PRESENT:** Councillor H.A.L. Evans (Chair)**Councillors:** C.A. Davies and G. Davies**The following Officers were in attendance:**

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**Committee Room 2, - Spilman Street, Carmarthen : 2.30 - 2.40 pm.****1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST**

There were no declarations of personal interest.

**3. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** pursuant to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007 that the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item as the report contained exempt information as defined in Paragraph 12 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

**4. TO CONSIDER AN APPEAL BY APPLICANT MP AGAINST A DECISION OF THE AUTHORITY FOR THE NON-PROVISION OF FREE SCHOOL TRANSPORT**

**Following the application of the public interest test it was UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED**, pursuant to the Act referred to in Minute 3 above, to consider this matter in private, with the public excluded from the meeting, as it would involve the disclosure of exempt information relating to a particular individual.

The public interest test in this matter related to the fact that the report included personal information relating to the applicant. Disclosure would support transparency and accountability in the decision making process, however, on balance the public interest in maintaining confidentiality outweighed the public interest in disclosure because of the need to protect the identity of the applicant and the family.

The Panel considered the written representations of the appellant in respect of the refusal of the Stage 1 Review Panel to grant M.P. free school transport to a school which was not the nearest or Local Education Authority designated school for the home address and therefore, did not meet the criteria outlined in the Council's policy for the provision of assistance.

The Panel considered the observations of the departmental officers, together with the individual circumstances of the case.

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that due to the individual circumstances involved, the appeal submitted by M.P. for free home to school transport be upheld.

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**CHAIR**

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**MEMBERS HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT APPEALS PANEL****WEDNESDAY, 18<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2018****PRESENT:** Councillor H.A.L. Evans [Chair]**Councillors:** G. Davies and S.J.G. Gilasbey**The following Officers were in attendance:**

Mr S. Pilliner	-	Head of Transportation & Highways
Mr A. John	-	Assistant Solicitor
Ms L. McFarlane	-	Learner Travel Policy & Development Officer
Mrs S. Williams	-	Senior School Organisation Officer
Mrs M. Evans Thomas	-	Principal Democratic Services Officer

**Committee Room 2, 3 Spilman Street, Carmarthen : 2.45 p.m. - 2.55 p.m.****1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST**

There were no declarations of personal interest.

**3. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** pursuant to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007 that the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item as the report contained exempt information as defined in Paragraph 12 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

**4. TO CONSIDER AN APPEAL BY APPLICANT L.R.S. AGAINST A DECISION OF THE AUTHORITY FOR THE NON-PROVISION OF FREE SCHOOL TRANSPORT**

Following the application of the public interest test it was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED**, pursuant to the Act referred to in Minute 3 above, to consider this matter in private, with the public excluded from the meeting, as it would involve the disclosure of exempt information relating to a particular individual.

The public interest test in this matter related to the fact that the report included personal information relating to the applicant. Disclosure would support transparency and accountability in the decision making process, however, on balance the public interest in maintaining confidentiality outweighed the public interest in disclosure because of the need to protect the identity of the applicant and the family.

The Panel considered the written representations of the appellant in respect of the refusal of the Stage 1 Review Panel to grant L.R.S. free school transport to a

school which was not the nearest or Local Education Authority designated school for the home address and therefore, did not meet the criteria outlined in the Council's policy for the provision of assistance.

The Panel considered the observations of the departmental officers, together with the individual circumstances of the case. The Panel also sought clarification on elements of the Authority's Home to School Transport Policy, the availability of a fare paying bus and the availability of public transport from the home address to the chosen school.

**RESOLVED that in line with the Authority's Home to School Transport Policy, the appeal be refused on the basis that L.R.S. was not attending the nearest or Local Education Authority designated school for the home address, due to parental preference.**

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CHAIR

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DATE

**MEMBERS HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT APPEALS PANEL****WEDNESDAY, 18<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2018****PRESENT:** Councillor H.A.L. Evans [Chair]**Councillor:** G. Davies**The following Officers were in attendance:**

Mr S. Pilliner	-	Head of Transportation & Highways
Mr A. John	-	Assistant Solicitor
Ms L. McFarlane	-	Learner Travel Policy & Development Officer
Mrs S. Williams	-	Senior School Organisation Officer
Mrs M. Evans Thomas	-	Principal Democratic Services Officer

**Committee Room 2, 3 Spilman Street, Carmarthen : 3.00 p.m. - 3.05 p.m.****1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

An apology for absence was received from Councillor C.J. Harris.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST**

There were no declarations of personal interest.

**3. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** pursuant to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007 that the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item as the report contained exempt information as defined in Paragraph 12 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

**4. TO CONSIDER AN APPEAL BY APPLICANT L.S. AGAINST A DECISION OF THE AUTHORITY FOR THE NON-PROVISION OF FREE SCHOOL TRANSPORT**

Following the application of the public interest test it was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED**, pursuant to the Act referred to in Minute 3 above, to consider this matter in private, with the public excluded from the meeting, as it would involve the disclosure of exempt information relating to a particular individual.

The public interest test in this matter related to the fact that the report included personal information relating to the applicant. Disclosure would support transparency and accountability in the decision making process, however, on balance the public interest in maintaining confidentiality outweighed the public interest in disclosure because of the need to protect the identity of the applicant and the family.

The Chair advised that the Local Member, Councillor C.J. Harris, had tendered an apology as he was unable to attend today's meeting. He had requested that

consideration of the appeal be deferred to the next meeting to allow him the opportunity to attend.

**RESOLVED** that consideration of the appeal submitted by L.S. be deferred to the next meeting.

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**CHAIR**

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**WEDNESDAY, 18<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2018**

**PRESENT:** Councillor H.A.L. Evans [Chair]

**Councillors:** J.M. Charles and G. Davies

**The following Officers were in attendance:**

Mr S. Pilliner	-	Head of Transportation & Highways
Mr A. John	-	Assistant Solicitor
Ms L. McFarlane	-	Learner Travel Policy & Development Officer
Mrs S. Williams	-	Senior School Organisation Officer
Mrs M. Evans Thomas	-	Principal Democratic Services Officer

**Committee Room 2, 3 Spilman Street, Carmarthen : 3.05 p.m. - 3.15 p.m.**

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST**

There were no declarations of personal interest.

**3. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** pursuant to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007 that the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item as the report contained exempt information as defined in Paragraph 12 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

**4. TO CONSIDER AN APPEAL BY APPLICANT S.W.T. AGAINST A DECISION OF THE AUTHORITY FOR THE NON-PROVISION OF FREE SCHOOL TRANSPORT**

Following the application of the public interest test it was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED**, pursuant to the Act referred to in Minute 3 above, to consider this matter in private, with the public excluded from the meeting, as it would involve the disclosure of exempt information relating to a particular individual.

The public interest test in this matter related to the fact that the report included personal information relating to the applicant. Disclosure would support transparency and accountability in the decision making process, however, on balance the public interest in maintaining confidentiality outweighed the public interest in disclosure because of the need to protect the identity of the applicant and the family.

The Panel considered the written representations of the appellant in respect of the refusal of the Stage 1 Review Panel to grant S.W.T. free school transport to a

school which was not the nearest or Local Education Authority designated school for the home address and therefore, did not meet the criteria outlined in the Council's policy for the provision of assistance.

The Panel considered the observations of the departmental officers, together with the individual circumstances of the case. The Panel also sought clarification on elements of the Authority's Home to School Transport Policy, the availability of a fare paying bus and the availability of public transport from the home address to the chosen school.

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that due to the individual circumstances involved, the appeal submitted by S.W.T. for free home to school transport be upheld.**

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**CHAIR**

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**DATE**

## MEMBERS HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT APPEALS PANEL

**16 AUGUST 2018**

**PRESENT:** Councillor H.A.L. Evans (Chair)

**Councillors:** G. Davies and D.M. Jenkins

**The following Officers were in attendance:**

S. Davies, Head of Access to Education;

L. McFarlane, Learner Travel Policy & Development Officer;

T. Pilarz, Assistant Solicitor;

J. Owen, Democratic Services Officer.

**Democratic Services Committee Room, County Hall, Carmarthen – 10:00am - 10:14am**

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST**

There were no declarations of personal interest.

**3. MINUTES**

**3.1. 12<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2018 (10:00 A.M.);**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on the 12<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at 10:00am be signed as a correct record.

**3.2. 12<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2018 (10:15 A.M.);**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on the 12<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at 10:15am be signed as a correct record.

**3.3. 12<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2018 (10:45 A.M.);**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on the 12<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at 10:45am be signed as a correct record.

#### 4. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** pursuant to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007 that the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item as the report contained exempt information as defined in Paragraph 12 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

#### 5. TO CONSIDER AN APPEAL BY APPLICANT A.M.M. AGAINST A DECISION BY OFFICERS FOR THE NON-PROVISION OF FREE SCHOOL TRANSPORT.

Following the application of the public interest test it was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED**, pursuant to the Act referred to in Minute 7 above, to consider this matter in private, with the public excluded from the meeting, as it would involve the disclosure of exempt information relating to a particular individual.

The public interest test in this matter related to the fact that the report included personal information relating to the applicant. Disclosure would support transparency and accountability in the decision making process, however, on balance the public interest in maintaining confidentiality outweighed the public interest in disclosure because of the need to protect the identity of the applicant and the family.

The Chair welcomed officers from Legal, Environment and Education & Children Services to the meeting. The Panel considered the written representations of the appellant in respect of the refusal of the Stage 1 Review Panel to grant A.M.M. free school transport to the nearest LEA designated school which was located within the statutory walking distance and therefore, did not meet the criteria outlined in the Council's policy for the provision of assistance.

The Panel considered the observations of the departmental officers, together with the individual circumstances of the case. The Panel also sought clarification on elements of the Authority's Home to School Transport Policy, the availability of public transport from A.M.M.'s home address to the designated school and also the assessment of the walking route to the school undertaken in accordance with Welsh Government Guidelines.

**RESOLVED** that due to the individual circumstances involved, the appeal submitted by A.M.M. for free home to school transport be upheld.

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CHAIR

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DATE



## MEMBERS HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT APPEALS PANEL

16<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2018

**PRESENT:** Councillor H.A.L. Evans (Chair)

**Councillors:** G. Davies and D. Jones

**The following Officers were in attendance:**

S. Davies, Head of Access to Education;  
L. McFarlane, Learner Travel Policy & Development Officer;  
T. Pilarz, Assistant Solicitor;  
J. Owen, Democratic Services Officer.

**Democratic Services Committee Room, County Hall, Carmarthen – 10:15am - 10:34am**

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

An apology for absence was received from Councillor E. Dole.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST**

No declarations of Personal Interest were made at the meeting.

**3. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** pursuant to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007 that the following item was not for publication as the report contained exempt information as defined in Paragraph 12 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

**4. TO CONSIDER AN APPEAL BY APPLICANT EB & TB AGAINST A DECISION BY OFFICERS FOR THE NON-PROVISION OF FREE SCHOOL TRANSPORT.**

Following the application of the public interest test it was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED**, pursuant to the Act referred to in Minute 3 above, to consider this matter in private, with the public excluded from the meeting, as it would involve the disclosure of exempt information relating to a particular individual.

The public interest test in this matter related to the fact that the report included personal information relating to the applicant. Disclosure would support transparency and accountability in the decision making process, however, on balance the public interest in maintaining confidentiality outweighed the public interest in disclosure because of the need to protect the identity of the applicant and the family.

The Panel noted that that E.B. was eligible for free school transport and therefore proceeded to consider the appeal for T.B. only.

The Panel considered the written representations of the appellant in respect of the refusal of the Stage 1 Review Panel to grant T.B. free school transport to a school which was not the nearest or Local Education Authority designated school for the home address and therefore, did not meet the criteria outlined in the Council's policy for the provision of assistance.

The Panel considered the observations of the departmental officers, together with the individual circumstances of the case.

**RESOLVED that in line with the Authority's Home to School Transport Policy, the appeal be refused on the basis that T.B was not attending the nearest or Local Education Authority designated school for the home address, due to parental preference.**

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**CHAIR**

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**DATE**

## MEMBERS HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT APPEALS PANEL

**16<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2018**

**PRESENT:** Councillor H.A.L. Evans (Chair)

**Councillors:** G. Davies and J.M. Charles

**The following Officers were in attendance:**

S. Davies, Head of Access to Education;

L. McFarlane, Learner Travel Policy & Development Officer;

T. Pilarz, Assistant Solicitor;

J. Owen, Democratic Services Officer.

**Democratic Services Committee Room, County Hall, Carmarthen – 10:35am - 10:50am**

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST**

No declarations of Personal Interest were made at the meeting.

**3. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** pursuant to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007 that the following item was not for publication as the report contained exempt information as defined in Paragraph 12 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

**4. TO CONSIDER AN APPEAL BY APPLICANT G.O.T. AGAINST A DECISION BY OFFICERS FOR THE NON-PROVISION OF FREE SCHOOL TRANSPORT.**

Following the application of the public interest test it was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED**, pursuant to the Act referred to in Minute 3 above, to consider this matter in private, with the public excluded from the meeting, as it would involve the disclosure of exempt information relating to a particular individual.

The public interest test in this matter related to the fact that the report included personal information relating to the applicant. Disclosure would support transparency and accountability in the decision making process, however, on balance the public interest in maintaining confidentiality outweighed the public interest in disclosure because of the need to protect the identity of the applicant and the family.

The Panel considered the written representations of the appellant in respect of the refusal of the Stage 1 Review Panel to grant G.O.T. free school transport to a school which was not the nearest or Local Education Authority designated school for the home address and therefore, did not meet the criteria outlined in the Council's policy for the provision of assistance.

The Panel considered the observations of the departmental officers, together with the individual circumstances of the case. The Panel also sought information on the availability of a fare paying bus and the availability of public transport from the home address to the chosen school.

**RESOLVED that in line with the Authority's Home to School Transport Policy, the appeal be refused on the basis that G.O.T. was not attending the nearest or Local Education Authority designated school for the home address, due to parental preference.**

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**CHAIR**

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**DATE**

## MEMBERS HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT APPEALS PANEL

16<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2018

**PRESENT:** Councillor H.A.L. Evans (Chair)

**Councillors:** G. Davies and C.J. Harris

**The following Officers were in attendance:**

S. Davies, Head of Access to Education;

L. McFarlane, Learner Travel Policy & Development Officer;

T. Pilarz, Assistant Solicitor;

J. Owen, Democratic Services Officer.

**Democratic Services Committee Room, County Hall, Carmarthen – 10:50am - 11:12am**

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Karen Davies.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST**

No declarations of Personal Interest were made at the meeting.

**3. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** pursuant to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007 that the following item was not for publication as the report contained exempt information as defined in Paragraph 12 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

**4. TO CONSIDER AN APPEAL BY APPLICANT LS AGAINST A DECISION BY OFFICERS FOR THE NON-PROVISION OF FREE SCHOOL TRANSPORT.**

Following the application of the public interest test it was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED**, pursuant to the Act referred to in Minute 3 above, to consider this matter in private, with the public excluded from the meeting, as it would involve the disclosure of exempt information relating to a particular individual.

The public interest test in this matter related to the fact that the report included personal information relating to the applicant. Disclosure would support transparency and accountability in the decision making process, however, on balance the public interest in maintaining confidentiality outweighed the public interest in disclosure because of the need to protect the identity of the applicant and the family.

The Panel considered the written representations of the appellant in respect of the refusal of the Stage 1 Review Panel to grant L.S. free school transport to a school which was not the nearest or Local Education Authority designated school for the home address and therefore, did not meet the criteria outlined in the Council's policy for the provision of assistance.

The Panel considered the observations of the departmental officers, together with the individual circumstances of the case.

**RESOLVED that due to the individual circumstances involved, the appeal submitted by L.S. for free home to school transport be upheld.**

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**CHAIR**

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**DATE**

# Agenda Item 5

By virtue of paragraph(s) 12 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007.

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