

Admissions Committee

Meeting held 15 December 2022

PRESENT: Councillors Vic Bowden (Chair), Maleiki Haybe, Karen McGowan, Safiya Saeed and Ann Whitaker

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

1.1 Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Gail Smith and Garry Weatherall.

2. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

2.1 RESOLVED: That the public and press be excluded from the meeting before discussion takes place on item 7 on the agenda (item 6 of these minutes), on the grounds that, if the public and press were present during the transaction of such business, there would be a disclosure to them of exempt information described in paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

3.1 There were no declarations of interest.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1 The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 17th November, 2022, were approved as a correct record.

5. ACTION TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED POWERS

5.1 The Committee noted that, since its last meeting, no decisions had been made by the Director of Children's Services, in consultation with the Chair of the Committee, under powers delegated to him with regard to home to school transport or school admissions.

6. HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT APPEALS

6.1 The Director of Children's Services, submitted reports and commented upon three cases where the parent had appealed against the administrative decision made by the Director with regard to the refusal to grant a home to school travel bus passes (Case No.HG/01, HG02 and HG03).

6.2 The Committee gave consideration to all the supporting information and evidence provided by the pupil's parent and, arising therefrom, it was:-

6.3 RESOLVED: That the appeals be upheld for 2022-23 and 2023-24 on the grounds

that there are exceptional financial, family and social circumstances demonstrated (Case Nos. HG01/HG02 and HG03).

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

- 7.1 It was noted that the next meeting of the Committee will be held on Thursday, 19th January, 2023, at 2.00 p.m., in the Town Hall.