

By: Head of Democratic Services & Local Leadership

To: Regulation Committee – 9 September 2010

Subject: Home To School Transport

Classification: Unrestricted

Summary: To provide Members with a brief mid season overview on the role of the Transport Appeals Panel, including Home to School Transport appeal statistics for the period between 1 January 2010 and 31 August 2010 and for the corresponding period in 2009.

1. Introduction

The Chairman has requested that the Committee receive a brief mid season overview on the role of the Transport Appeals Panel.

2. Transport Appeal Statistics – 2010

(2.1) For the period between 1 January 2010 to 31 August 2010 a total of 35 Home-to-School Transport appeals were submitted to 10 Transport Appeal Panel meetings. 14 were successful, (40%) at least in part (eg, time-limited assistance).

(2.2) 9 of the appellants had Local Member representation at their appeals and 11 different Members sat on the Transport Appeal Panels (See Appendix 3).

3. Transport Appeal Statistics – 2009

(3.1) Corresponding figures for the same period in 2009 were 53 appeals to 13 Panels with 39 (68%) at least partly successful.

(3.2) 23 of the appellants had Local Member representation at their appeals and 16 different Members sat on the Transport Appeal Panels (See Appendix 4).

4. Statistic Details

(4.1) Details relating to the Admissions and Transport Home to School Transport appeals for Mainstream Pupils are set out in Appendix 1. Those submitted by the Additional Educational Needs Teams in respect of Statemented Pupils are shown in Appendix 2.

5. Costs

(5.1) The Head of Admissions and Transport has advised that the approximate cost of home to school transport during the financial year 2009 -10 for Mainstream Pupils was £14 million and for SEN Pupils £17 million.

6. Recommendations

(6.1) Members are asked to note this report.

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**MAINSTREAM HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT APPEALS
(ADMISSIONS AND TRANSPORT)**

1 JANUARY 2010 - 31 AUGUST 2010

Grounds for Appeal	Upheld	Not Upheld	Total	% Upheld
Denominational	2	0	2	100
Distance	0	3	3	0
Not Attending NAS	7	4	11	63
16+	1	1	2	50
Hazardous Routes	0	1	1	0
Other	0	0	0	0
Low Income Criteria	1	2	3	33
TOTALS	11	11	22	50

1 JANUARY 2009 - 31 AUGUST 2009

Grounds for Appeal	Upheld	Not Upheld	Total	% Upheld
Denominational	0	1	1	0
Distance	8	5	13	61
Not Attending NAS	25	3	28	89
16+	0	2	2	0
Hazardous Routes	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0
Low Income	3	0	3	100
TOTALS	36	11	47	77

**STATEMENTED PUPILS HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT APPEALS
(ADDITIONAL EDUCATION NEEDS)**

1 JANUARY 2010 - 31 AUGUST 2010

Grounds for Appeal	Upheld	Not Upheld	Total	% Upheld
Denominational	0	0	0	0
Distance	2	4	6	33
Not Attending NAS	1	6	7	14
16+	0	0	0	0
Hazardous Routes	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0
Low Income Criteria	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	3	10	13	23

1 JANUARY 2009 - 31 AUGUST 2009

Grounds for Appeal	Upheld	Not Upheld	Total	% Upheld
Denominational	0	0	0	0
Distance	1	1	2	50
Not Attending NAS	2	0	2	100
16+	0	0	0	0
Hazardous Routes	0	0	0	0
Other	0	2	2	0
Low Income Criteria	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	3	3	6	50

PANEL MEMBERS UP TO 31 AUGUST 2010**PANELS ATTENDED**

Mr M Harrison (Chairman)	10
Mr I Chittenden	8
Mr H Craske	5
Mr J Cubitt	3
Mrs V Dagger	2
Mr T Gates	1
Mr P Homewood	6
Mr C Hibberd	1
Mr G Koowaree	2
Mr R Pascoe	4
Mr R Tolputt	6

PANEL MEMBERS UP TO 31 AUGUST 2009**PANELS ATTENDED**

Mr M Harrison (Chairman - From 12 August)	3
Dr T Robinson (Chairman)	10
Mrs A Allen	1
Mr A Bassam	4
Mr A Bowles	3
Mr C Capon	2
Mr I Chittenden	8
Mrs V Dagger	1
Mr C Hibberd	2
Mr I Jones	6
Mr G Koowaree	2
Mr W V Newman	2
Mr R Pascoe	2
Mrs P Stockell	1
Mr R Tolputt	6
Mr F Wood – Brignall	7