

By: Head of Democratic Services & Local Leadership

To: Regulation Committee – 25 January 2011

Subject: Home To School Transport

Classification: Unrestricted

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

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## **1. Introduction**

The Chairman has requested that the Committee receive a brief overview on Home to School Transport Policy, and the role of the Transport Appeals Panel. More information on this will be provided by Officers at the meeting.

## **2. Transport Appeal Statistics – 2010**

(2.1) For the period between 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2010 a total of 84 Home-to-School Transport appeals were submitted to 24 Transport Appeal Panel meetings. 38 were successful, (45%) at least in part (eg, time-limited assistance).

(2.2) 35 of the appellants had Local Member representation at their appeals and 14 different Members sat on the Transport Appeal Panels.

## **3. Transport Appeal Statistics – 2009**

(3.1) Corresponding figures for the same period in 2009 were 114 appeals to 26 Panels with 58 (51%) at least partly successful.

(3.2) 47 of the appellants had Local Member representation at their appeals and 22 different Members sat on the Transport Appeal Panels (NB: There were several new Members since the County Council elections who sat replacing Members no longer on the Council ).

## **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**

(6.1) Members will receive information at the meeting relating to the approximate total cost of mainstream transport for the year.

## **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 DECEMBER 2010**

Grounds for Appeal	Upheld	Not Upheld	Total	% Upheld
Denominational	2	1	3	67
Distance	2	0	2	100
Not Attending NAS	23	25	48	48
16+	4	2	6	67
Hazardous Routes	0	1	1	0
Other	0	0	0	0
Low Income Criteria	1	2	3	33
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>51</b>

**APPEALS BY AREA:** WEST: 17 - MID: 25 - EAST: 18 - O/S KENT: 3

**1 JANUARY 2009 - 31 DECEMBER 2009**

Grounds for Appeal	Upheld	Not Upheld	Total	% Upheld
Denominational	0	2	2	0
Distance	6	4	10	60
Not Attending NAS	42	37	79	53
16+	0	0	0	0
Hazardous Routes	1	0	1	100
Other	3	4	7	43
Low Income	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>53</b>

**APPEALS BY AREA:** WEST: 41 - MID: 20 - EAST: 38 - O/S KENT: 0

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

**1 JANUARY 2010 - 31 DECEMBER 2010**

Grounds for Appeal	Upheld	Not Upheld	Total	% Upheld
Denominational	0	0	0	0
Distance	3	7	10	33
Not Attending NAS	2	7	9	22
16+	1	1	2	50
Hazardous Routes	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0
Low Income Criteria	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>29</b>

**APPEALS BY AREA:** WEST: 5 - MID: 5 - EAST: 11 - O/S KENT: 0

**1 JANUARY 2009 - 31 DECEMBER 2009**

Grounds for Appeal	Upheld	Not Upheld	Total	% Upheld
Denominational	0	0	0	0
Distance	4	6	10	40
Not Attending NAS	2	2	4	50
16+	0	0	0	0
Hazardous Routes	0	0	0	0
Other	0	1	1	0
Low Income Criteria	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>40</b>

**APPEALS BY AREA:** WEST: 5 - MID: 3 - EAST: 7 - O/S KENT: 0

**PANEL MEMBERS UP TO 31 DECEMBER 2010**

**PANELS ATTENDED**

<b>Mr M Harrison (Chairman)</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>Mr I Chittenden</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Mr H Craske</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Mr J Cubitt</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Mrs V Dagger</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Mr T Gates</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Mr P Homewood</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Mr G Horne</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Mr C Hibberd</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Mr G Koowaree</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Mr R Lees</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Mr R Pascoe</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Mrs P Stockell</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Mr R Tolputt</b>	<b>10</b>