By:Head of Democratic ServicesTo:Regulation Committee – 19 September 2006Subject:HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT APPEAL STATISTICSClassification:UnrestrictedSummary:To advise Members of the Home to School Transport appeal
statistics for the period between 1 September 2005 and
31 August 2006 and for the corresponding period in 2004/05.

Introduction

1. Transport Appeal Statistics – 2005/06

(1.1) For the period between 1 September 2005 to 31 August 2006 a total of 150 Home-to-School Transport appeals were submitted to 45 Transport Appeal Panel meetings. 55 (37%) were successful, at least in part (eg, time-limited assistance).

(1.2) 88 of the appellants had Local Member representation at their appeals and 21 different Members sat on the Transport Appeal Panels.

2. Transport Appeal Statistics – 2004/05

(2.1) Corresponding figures for the same period in 2004/05 were 88 appeals to 26 Panels with 53 (60%) at least partly successful.

(2.2) 50 of the appellants had Local Member representation at their appeals and 12 different Members sat on the Case Panels.

3. Statistic Details

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

4. Costs

(4.1) Members may be interested to know that the total cost of mainstream transport for the academic year 1 September 2005 to 31 July 2006 was $\pounds14,067,897$.

5. Recommendations

(5.1) Members are asked to note this report.

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Background Information: Nil

MAINSTREAM HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT APPEALS (ADMISSIONS AND TRANSPORT)

Grounds for Appeal	Upheld	Not Upheld	Total	% Upheld
Denominational	0	2	2	0
Distance	3	3	6	50
Not Attending NAS	37	26	63	59
Hazardous Routes	3	1	4	75
TOTALS	43	32	75	57
APPEALS BY AREA: WEST: 26 - MID: 19 - EAST: 30				

1 SEPTEMBER 2004 - 31 AUGUST 2005

1 SEPTEMBER 2005 - 31 AUGUST 2006

Grounds for Appeal	Upheld	Not Upheld	Total	% Upheld
Denominational	0	12	12	0
Distance	6	5	11	55
Not Attending NAS	43	71	114	38
Hazardous Routes	2	0	2	100
TOTALS	51	88	139	37
APPEALS BY AREA: WEST: 65 - MID: 36 - EAST: 38				

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

Grounds for Appeal	Upheld	Not Upheld	Total	% Upheld
Denominational	0	0	0	0
Distance	3	2	5	60
Not Attending NAS	7	1	8	88
Hazardous Routes	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	10	3	13	77
APPEALS BY AREA: WEST: 1 - MID: 1 - EAST: 11				

1 SEPTEMBER 2004 - 31 AUGUST 2005

1 SEPTEMBER 2005 - 31 AUGUST 2006

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Grounds for Appeal	Upheld	Not Upheld	Total	% Upheld
Denominational	0	0	0	0
Distance	2	4	6	33
Not Attending NAS	2	3	5	40
Hazardous Routes	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	4	7	11	36
APPEALS BY AREA: WEST: 4 - MID: 1 - EAST: 6				