By: Head of Democratic Services

To: Regulation Committee – 5 September 2012

Subject: Home To School Transport

Classification: Unrestricted

## Summary: To provide Members with a brief overview on Home to School Transport appeal statistics for the period between 1 May 2012 and 31 August 2012

#### 1. Introduction

The Chairman has requested that the Committee receive a brief update on Home to School Transport Appeals.

### 2. Transport Appeal Statistics – 1 May – 31 August 2012

(2.1) For the period between 1 May 2012 to 31 August 2012 a total of 15 Home-to-School Transport appeals were submitted to 4 Transport Appeal Panel meetings. 7 were successful, at least in part (eg, time-limited assistance).

(2.2) 8 of the appellants had Local Member representation at their appeals and 8 different Members sat on the Transport Appeal Panels.

(2.3) There are 33 appeals to date at various stages of the appeals process which will need to be heard by the Transport Appeals Panel. The majority of these relate to the new policy whereby the County Council no longer provides discretionary transport to grammar schools or denominational schools in the same way that it has done in previous years..

### 3. Statistic Details

(3.1) Details relating to the Admissions and Transport Home to School Transport appeals for Mainstream Pupils and Additional Educational Needs Teams in respect of Statemented Pupils are shown in the attached Appendix.

### 4. Recommendations

(4.1) Members are asked to note this report.

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Appendix

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

Grounds for Appeal	Upheld	Not Upheld	Total
Denominational and Grammar Schools New NAS Policy	0	2	2
Distance	1	0	1
Not Attending NAS	4	1	5
16+	1	0	1
Hazardous Routes	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0
Low Income Criteria	0	0	0
TOTALS	6	3	9

## 1 MAY 2012 – 31 AUGUST 2012

APPEALS BY AREA: WEST: 7 - MID: 2 - EAST: 0 - O/S KENT: 0

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

1 MAY 2012 – 31 AUGUST 2012	
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Grounds for Appeal	Upheld	Not Upheld	Total
Distance	0	2	2
Not Attending NAS	1	3	4
16+	0	0	0
Hazardous Routes	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0
Low Income Criteria	0	0	0
TOTALS	1	5	6

APPEALS BY AREA: WEST: 0 - MID: 2- EAST: 4 - O/S KENT: 0