

CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE
12 March 2012

AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNCIL'S CONSTITUTION

Report from the Appeals Committee

Purpose of the Report

Following a recent internal audit of appeals heard against refusal to provide free home to school transport, the Appeals Committee has supported the recommended expansion of the description of the Committee's role. This presently states 'Appeals against refusal to supply free home/school transport'.

It is therefore proposed that the duties or purpose of the Appeals Committee, as set out in Section 3 paragraph 3.1 Table 3.3, point 7, when hearing home to school transport appeals should be as follows:

7. Act as an independent appeal panel and assess appeals lodged by parents, guardians, carers and other professionals against the decision of the County Council to decline requests for transport

- with the following to be added as a note underneath Table 3.3:

For the purpose of hearing appeals relating to home to school transport there shall be a panel of three members taken from the 18 trained members on the committee.'

It is therefore

RECOMMENDED THAT:

The changes to the Constitution are noted by the Committee and are now recommended to full Council for ratification.

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