Appeals Sub-Committee – Meeting held on Friday, 9th January, 2015.

Present:- Councillors M Holledge (Chair), N Holledge and Plenty

Apologies for Absence:- Councillor Coad

PART I

32. Election of Chair

Resolved – That Councillor Michael Holledge be appointed Chair for the duration of the meeting.

33. Declarations of Interest

Councillor Nora Holledge declared an interest in respect of Agenda item 10, appeal reference TA22-1415, in that she had previously undertaken case work for the family and was familiar with some of the circumstances referred to within the appellant's appeal statement. However, Councillor Holledge confirmed that she came to the appeal hearing with an open mind, and had not predetermined the case nor was she predisposed towards the appellant.

34. Minutes of the Meeting held on 3rd December 2014

Resolved – That the minutes of the meeting held on 3rd December 2014 be approved as a correct record.

35. Guidance on Predetermination/ Predisposition - To Note

Resolved – That Members confirmed that they had read and understood the guidance on predetermination and predisposition.

36. Appeals Sub Committee Procedure for hearing a Transport Appeal

Resolved – That the Members confirmed that the Appeals Sub Committee Procedure for hearing Home to School Transport Appeals had been read and understood.

37. Home to School Transport Policy

Resolved – That the Members confirmed that the Home to School Transport policy had been read and understood.

38. It is recommended that the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the item in Part 2 of the Agenda, as it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information relating to individuals as defined in Paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (amended).

Resolved - That the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the items in Part 2 of the Agenda, as they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information relating to individuals as defined in Paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (amended).

39. Home to School Transport Appeals

The Sub-Committee considered a number of appeals against the refusal by officers of applications for home to school transport. The circumstances of each case did not fulfil the necessary criteria for assistance. For each appeal, details were presented by the local authority representative of the reasons for refusal together with the grounds of appeal submitted by the parents of the pupils in question. The Appeals Sub-Committee also considered verbal representations made by Appellants at the hearing. The Appeals were considered under the general home to school transport policy.

Resolved - That the following decisions be taken in respect of the appeals for home to school transport as set out below:-

Appellant	Decision
TA20-1415	Settled
TA22-1415	Refused
TA23-1415	Withdrawn
TA04-1415	Refused

Chair

(Note: The Meeting opened at 10.30 am and closed at 12.30 pm)