

EDUCATION ASSISTANCE PANEL

MEETING, 21ST SEPTEMBER, 2021

Present – Councillors Donaghy (Vice-Chairman), Connor and Jiva.

Also in attendance

Mr P. Rankin	-	Deputy Director of Children's Services
Miss J. Roscoe	-	Assistant Manager, Transport Eligibility
Mr D. Mulvaney	-	Integrated Transport Manager
Mrs S. Bailey	-	Principal Democratic Services Officer

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Galloway (Chairman), McGeown and Pattison.

Councillor Donaghy in the Chair

15. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Resolved – That the minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Panel held on 9th September, 2021 were submitted and signed as a correct record.

16. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Resolved - That, under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as specified in paragraph 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act; and that it be deemed that, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in its exemption outweighs the public interest in its disclosure.

17. APPLICATIONS FOR HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT

The Director of Children's Services submitted a report which put forward eight applications which had been received for funding towards home to school transport.

Resolved –

- (i) That the application submitted on behalf of ABH be refused, in accordance with the Council's policy;
- (ii) That in respect of the application submitted on behalf of JA, a bus pass be granted to the required School up until the end of the School Term in July, 2023;

- (iii) That the application submitted on behalf of LLB be refused, in accordance with the Council's policy ;
- (iv) That, in respect of the application submitted on behalf of OP, a bus pass be provided to the required School until the end of the School Term in July, 2022;
- (v) That the application submitted on behalf of ZC be refused, in accordance with the Council's policy;
- (vi) That the application submitted on behalf of AN be refused, in accordance with the Council's policy;
- (vii) That, in respect of the application submitted on behalf of SV, home to school transport by the LEA be provided up to the end of the School Term in July, 2023 with a review after that time, and that any change in circumstances be reported to the Integrated Transport Unit; and
- (viii) That the application submitted on behalf of JM be refused, in accordance with the Council's policy.

(The meeting started at 11.00am and finished at 11.55am)