

Appeals Committee – 8 February 2005

Minutes of the meeting of the **Appeals Committee** held on **8 February 2005** when there were present:-

Cllr Mrs B J Wilkins (Chairman)
Cllr G A Mockford (Vice-Chairman)

Cllr K A Gibbs
Cllr K H Hudson

Cllr T Livings
Cllr R A Oatham

OFFICERS PRESENT

A Bugeja	- Head of Legal Services
G Woolhouse	- Head of Housing, Health & Community Care
A Law	- Solicitor
J Bradley	- Trainee Solicitor
S Worthington	- Committee Administrator

52 PROCEDURAL NOTE

The Committee noted the procedure to be followed in hearing the review.

EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

Resolved

That the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the remaining business on the grounds that exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12(A) of the Local Government Act 1972 would be disclosed.

53 REVIEW OF HOMELESSNESS APPLICATION

The Committee considered the exempt report of the Head of Housing, Health and Community Care relating to a request for a review of a decision of the Council in the discharge of its housing duty under the homeless provisions of the Housing Act 1996, Part 7.

The Head of Housing, Health and Community Care had investigated the application and was minded to find against the applicants' interests. In these circumstances, the Council's procedures required the review to be referred to this Committee for decision.

The Committee, having given careful consideration to all the evidence, concluded in the particular circumstances of the case that the officer's decision should be upheld. It did, however, recognise that the applicants' present circumstances were difficult and would accordingly ask officers to

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provide the applicants with the details of relevant support organisations that might be able to offer them assistance.

Resolved

That the applicants be found intentionally homeless. A copy of the record of decision is attached as an exempt appendix to the signed copy of the Minutes. (HHHCC)

The meeting closed at 4.00 pm.

Chairman

Date