Appeals Committee – 21 June 2005

Minutes of the meeting of the **Appeals Committee** held on **21 June 2005** when there were present:-

Chairman: Cllr Mrs B J Wilkins

Cllr K H Hudson Cllr R A Oatham
Cllr T Livings Cllr Mrs C A Weston

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr K A Gibbs.

OFFICERS PRESENT

A Bugeja - Head of Legal Services

A Law - Solicitor

J Bradley - Trainee Solicitor

M Martin - Committee Administrator

241 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 17 June 2005 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

242 PROCEDURE NOTE

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

EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

Resolved

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

243 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 homelessness provisions of the Housing Act 1996.

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

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The Committee, having given careful consideration to all the evidence, concluded that in the particular circumstances of the case it was not reasonable for the applicant to have continued to reside in his former accommodation. Accordingly the review should be allowed and the applicant be found unintentionally homeless.

Resolved

That the applicant be found unintentionally homeless and an accommodation duty be owed to him under Part VII of the Housing Act 1996. A copy of the record of decision is attached as an exempt appendix to the signed copy of the Minutes. (HHHCC)

The meeting commenced at 2.00 pm and closed at 3.47 pm.

Chairman	 	
Date		