

APPEALS PANEL

At a meeting of the Appeals Panel held on 17 February 2015 in Halton Stadium, Widnes.

Present: Councillors Angela McInerney (Chairman) and Kath Loftus

Apologies for absence: Councillor Wainwright

Absence declared on Council business: None

Officers present: K Lunt

Also Present: Appellants (Minutes 26,28,30 and 31 refers)

ITEMS DEALT WITH UNDER POWERS AND DUTIES EXERCISABLE BY THE PANEL

Action

**AP24 SCHEDULE 12A OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972
AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION)
ACT 1985**

The Panel considered:

- (1) Whether Members of the press and public should be excluded from the meeting of the Board during consideration of the following item of business in accordance with Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 because it was likely that, in view of the nature of the business to be considered, exempt information would be disclosed, being information defined in Section 100 (1) and paragraphs 1,2 and 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972; and
- (2) Whether the disclosure of information was in the public interest, whether any relevant exemptions were applicable and whether, when applying the public interest test and exemptions, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed that in disclosing the information.

RESOLVED: That as, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed that in disclosing the information, members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 because it was likely that, in view of the nature of the business, exempt information would be disclosed, being information

defined in Section 100 (1) and paragraphs 1,2 and 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

AP25 HOUSING DISCRETIONARY APPEAL HEARING: CASE NO 258

The Panel considered information submitted in respect of the above appeal and heard representations from the presenting officer.

RESOLVED: That DHP be awarded for the period 5/1/15 to 31/3/15.

AP26 HOUSING DISCRETIONARY APPEAL HEARING: CASE NO 251

The Panel considered information submitted in respect of the above appeal and heard representations from the presenting officer, the appellant and her representative.

RESOLVED: That the DHP award be increased for the period 6/10/14 to 4/1/15 in line with the award made for the period 5/1/15 to 31/3/15.

AP27 HOUSING DISCRETIONARY APPEAL HEARING: CASE NO 252

The Panel considered information submitted in respect of the above appeal and heard representations from the presenting officer.

RESOLVED: That the decision of the Local Authority dated 17 October 2014 be upheld and the appeal be dismissed.

AP 28 HOUSING DISCRETIONARY APPEAL HEARING: CASE NO 253

The Panel considered information submitted in respect of the above appeal and heard representations from the presenting officer and the appellant.

RESOLVED: That the decision of the Local Authority dated 19/1/15 be upheld and the appeal be dismissed.

AP 29 HOUSING DISCRETIONARY APPEAL HEARING: CASE NO 254

The Panel considered information submitted in respect of the above appeal and heard representations from the presenting officer.

RESOLVED: That the decision of the Local Authority dated 10 December 2014 be upheld and the appeal be dismissed.

AP 30 HOUSING DISCRETIONARY APPEAL HEARING: CASE NO 255

The Panel considered information submitted in respect of the above appeal and heard representations from the presenting officer and the appellant.

RESOLVED: That the decision of the Local Authority dated 3 December 2014 be upheld and the appeal be dismissed.

AP 31 HOUSING DISCRETIONARY APPEAL HEARING: CASE NO 256

The Panel considered information submitted in respect of the above appeal and heard representations from the presenting officer, the appellant and his representative.

RESOLVED: That an additional payment be awarded for the period 22/12/14 to 31/3/15.

AP32 HOUSING DISCRETIONARY APPEAL HEARING: CASE NO 257

The Panel was advised that this appeal had been withdrawn at the request of the appellant and adjourned to the next meeting of the Panel.

Meeting ended at 12.50 p.m.