

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Officer Decision Record

Decision Maker:	<i>Steve Crocker</i>
Title:	Director Of Children's Services

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. Two appeals against the refusal of home to school transport, as an exception to policy, were heard by the independent appeal panel. At the hearing, on Tuesday 17 October 2017, the panel considered all the circumstances, provided both in writing and verbally.
- 1.2. One parental appeal was not upheld and one was partially upheld.

2. Reason(s) for the decision:

- 2.1. In case one, the panel did not consider the appellant's individual circumstances to be sufficiently strong enough to warrant an exception and that the original decision to refuse transport was appropriate.
- 2.2. In case two, in recognition of the extra difficulties faced by the appellant, the panel agreed to provide transport on the form of fuel allowance on the condition that the child transfers to the catchment school at the earliest opportunity. If an offer of a place at the catchment school is declined, the transport assistance will be withdrawn.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. Not applicable

4. Conflicts of interest:

- 4.1. None.

5. Dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service:

- 5.1 None.

Approved by:

Louise Crolla, Principal Admissions Officer

On behalf of the Director of Children's Services

Date:

17 October 2017

