

APPEALS PANEL

Meeting: 27 January 2004
At: 6.00 pm

PRESENT

Councillor Mike Wilson (Chair) in the chair; Councillor Mary Loftus (Vice-Chair); Councillors Anthony O'Neill, Peter Scott, Ann Smith and June Somekh.

1. MINUTES

The minutes (copies of which had been circulated) of the meeting held on 29 October 2003 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

3. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED – That in order to prevent the disclosure of information not for publication relating to a particular applicant for services provided by the Council, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of Agenda Item 4 (see Minute 4 below).

Item not for publication

4. HOUSING APPEAL

The appellant attended the meeting, presented her case and answered members' questions in relation to her case.

The appeal was against a decision of the Director of Community Services that the appellant had become homeless intentionally as defined by Section 191 of the Housing Act 1996. The Committee considered carefully all the oral and written evidence submitted.

It was then

RESOLVED – (1) That the appeal be dismissed on the grounds that the Panel was satisfied that the decision of the Director of Community Services that the appellant became homeless intentionally as defined by section 191 of the Housing Act 1996 was correct in the circumstances of the case.

(2) That the Directors of Community and Social Services be requested to provide the appellant with every assistance and sufficient time in order to secure alternative accommodation.

(3) That the Director of Community Services be requested to provide a progress report on this case to the next meeting.

The meeting closed at 7.45 pm.

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