

CANNOCK CHASE COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
APPEALS AND COMPLAINTS PANEL
MONDAY 25 FEBRUARY, 2013 AT 10.00 A.M.
IN THE CIVIC CENTRE, BEECROFT ROAD, CANNOCK
PART 1

PRESENT:

Councillors

Freeman, Ms. M. (Chairman)

Anslow, C.

Davies, D.N.

Cartwright, Mrs. S.M. Grice, Mrs. D.

1. Appointment of Chairman

Councillor Ms. M. Freeman was appointed Chairman for the meeting.

2. Declarations of Interests of Members in Contracts and Other Matters and Restriction on Voting by Members

No declarations of interests were made.

3. Exclusion of the Public

RESOLVED:

That the public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting because of the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 2 and 3, Part 1, Schedule 12A, Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

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PART 2

4. Tenancy Appeal

Consideration was given to the Not for Publication Report of the Head of Housing (Enclosure 5.1 – 5.3 of the Official Minutes of the Council).

The Appellant was in attendance to present his case.

The Chairman invited all those present to introduce themselves and also outlined the procedure.

The Officer presented the Council's case by taking the Panel through the report. The Appellant and Members of the Panel were also afforded the opportunity to ask questions of the Officer.

The Appellant was then asked to put his case. The Officer then Members of the Panel were afforded the opportunity to ask questions of the Appellant. The Council's Legal Advisor also asked questions of clarification of the Appellant.

All parties were given the opportunity to sum up their respective cases.

The Panel then deliberated in private calling on only the Council's Legal Advisor and Senior Committee Officer for advice.

All parties returned to the meeting and the Chairman outlined the decision of the Panel as follows:-

RESOLVED:

That, having considered all the information submitted, the appeal be dismissed and the Officers' original decision be upheld.

Reasons for Decision

The Panel gave careful consideration to all the relevant factors, issues and the representations made by both the Officer and by the Appellant. However, the Panel were required to apply the legal test to this particular case.

The Panel was sympathetic to the Appellant's needs and circumstances and would invite the Council's Allocation Section to use its best endeavours to ensure the Appellant was offered, as soon as was practicable, a suitable property in the Brereton and Ravenhill area.

CHAIRMAN

(The meeting concluded at 10.55 a.m.).