Report to: Relevant Officer: Date of Meeting:

APPEALS COMMITTEE

Lisa Arnold, Head of Community and Wellbeing Services 23 August 2023

HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT APPEAL

1.0 Purpose of the report

1.1 The Committee is asked to consider and determine a request for a review of a decision of the Council to not provide assistance for home to school transport.

2.0 Recommendation(s):

2.1 To determine the request for a review.

3.0 Reasons for recommendation(s):

- 3.1 Once an application for a review has been received the application and any relevant representation must be considered by the Appeals Committee.
- 3.2 Is the recommendation contrary to a plan or strategy adopted or No approved by the Council?
- 3.4 Is the recommendation in accordance with the Council's approved Yes budget?

4.0 Other alternative options to be considered:

4.1 There are no alternative options as the review must be considered by the Appeals Committee.

5.0 Council Priority:

5.1 The relevant Council Priorities are "The economy: Maximising growth and opportunity across Blackpool" and "Communities: Creating stronger communities and increasing resilience".

6.0 Background Information

6.1 An appeal has been lodged against the decision made by officers not to provide assistance for home to school transport. Copies of the appeal documents are attached.

7.0 List of Appendices

7.1 Appendices 3a to 3g Details of Case (Not for Publication).

8.0 Financial considerations:

8.1 Details of the cost of providing transport assistance to the appellant will be provided at the meeting.

9.0 Legal considerations:

9.1 The Head of Legal will be represented at the meeting to advise the Committee on policy and procedure only and will not have been involved with any of the decisions previously taken.

10.0 Risk management considerations:

- 10.1 None.
- **11.0** Equalities considerations:
- 11.1 None.
- **12.0** Sustainability, climate change and environmental considerations:
- 12.1 None.
- **13.0** Internal/ External Consultation undertaken:
- 13.1 None.