

**Minutes of the General Purposes and Arbitration Committee**

**10<sup>th</sup> August, 2015 at 6.00 pm**  
**at the Sandwell Council House, Oldbury**

**Present:** Councillor Dhallu (Chair);  
Councillor Haque (Vice Chair);  
Councillors P Davies, Meehan and Melia.

**Apologies:** Councillors S Crumpton and S Hosell.

4/15 **Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 16th March, 2015 were confirmed as a correct record. With regard to Minute No. 3/15(2), the Chair confirmed that Councillor Webb had been nominated to the office of Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Sandwell for 2015/16 at the Council meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> April, 2015.

**Matter delegated to the Committee**

5/15 **Appeal against the decision of the Adaptations Panel**

The Committee considered an appeal by Mrs R on behalf of her mother, Mrs C, against the decision of the Disabled Facilities Grant Adaptations Panel. The appeal was on the grounds that her mother was restricted to confinement within the property.

Mrs R appealed the decision and requested the provision of a ramped access to the property.

In reaching its decision the Committee considered the report of the Director – Homes and Communities and the appellant's written and verbal submissions.

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**Resolved** that the appeal be upheld and the application for a Disabled Facilities Grant under the Housing Grants, Construction and Regeneration Act 1996 to provide a ramped access to the property be approved.

(Meeting ended at 7.15 pm)

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