

Minutes of the General Purposes and Arbitration Committee

<u>18th June 2012 at 10.00 am</u> at the Sandwell Council House, Oldbury

- <u>Present</u>: Councillor Dhallu (Chair); Councillor Bridges.
- **Apologies:** Councillors S Crumpton, Frazer and S Hosell.

8/12 <u>Minutes</u>

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 12th March, 2012 be confirmed as a correct record.

9/12 Exclusion of the Public and Press

Resolved that the public and press be excluded from the rest of the proceedings. This is to avoid the possible disclosure of exempt information under Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006, relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person, including the authority holding that information.

Matter delegated to the Committee

10/12 Appeal against the Decision of the Disabled Facilities Grant Adaptations Panel

The Committee considered an appeal by Mrs E against the decision of the Disabled Facilities Grant Adaptations Panel.

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Mrs E's case was considered at the Adaptation Panel meetings on 24th February and 22nd March 2012 and her request for the more expensive of two adaptations schemes, was dismissed.

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

Resolved that the appeal be upheld.

(Meeting ended at 11.40 am)

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