

Minutes of the General Purposes and Arbitration Committee

2nd October, 2012 at 10.00 am
at the Sandwell Council House, Oldbury

Present: Councillor K Davies (Vice-Chair in the Chair);
Councillors Bridges, S Crumpton and J Underhill.

Apologies: Councillors Dhallu and S Hosell.

17/12 **Declaration of Interest**

Councillor S Crumpton declared a non-pecuniary interest in Minute No. 20/12 (Appeal against the Decision of the Disabled Facilities Grant Adaptations Panel) because she knew the appellant.

18/12 **Minutes**

Resolved that the minutes of the meetings held on 16th July and 1st August, 2012 be confirmed as a correct record.

19/12 **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.

Matters delegated to the Committee

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20/12 Appeal against the Decision of the Disabled Facilities Grant Adaptations Panel

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Mrs H's case was considered at the Adaptation Panel meeting on 28th June, 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.

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(Meeting ended at 12.28 pm)

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