

SOCIAL SERVICES APPEALS PANEL

11 APRIL 2003

Chair: \* Usha Sharma (Independent Person)

Councillors: \* Blann  
\* Mitzi Green

\* Denotes Member Present

**PART I - RECOMMENDATIONS - NIL**

**PART II - MINUTES**

16. **Appointment of Chair: RESOLVED:** That Usha Sharma be appointed Chair of the Panel for the purposes of this meeting.
17. **Arrangement of Agenda: RESOLVED:** That the item listed in Part II of the agenda be considered with the press and public excluded for the reason indicated below:-

<u>Item</u>	<u>Reason</u>
6. Formal Complaint Under the Community Care Act	This item was considered to contain exempt information as defined in Paragraph 6 of Part I to Schedule 12A of the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 in that it contains information relating to the care of a particular child and any particular applicant for, or recipient or former recipient of any service provided by the authority.

18. **Terms of Reference: RESOLVED:** That the terms of reference of the Panel be noted.
19. **Guidance Notes: RESOLVED:** That the guidance notes setting out the nature of the Panel be noted.
20. **Formal Complaint Under the Community Care Act: Mr & Mrs S:** The Panel considered a report of the Head of Children and Families and Provided Services, a response from the Social Services Department the Independent Investigator which set out the background to the complaint.

The Panel carefully reviewed the case, and after taking into account views expressed by the Complainant, the Investigating Officer and the Social Services Department, the Panel

**RESOLVED:** That a copy of the Panel's decision be provided to the Director of Social Services.

(Note: The meeting, having commenced at 9.30 am closed at 3.15 pm)

(Signed) USHA SHARMA  
Chair

Note: Minutes of Social Services Appeals Panels:

The minutes of each Appeal Panel meeting are signed by the relevant Chair, to confirm their accuracy, shortly after the meeting has taken place. Minutes of such previous meetings appropriately are not submitted to subsequent Appeal Panels which will be considering relevant cases under different Chairmanships.