

**CANNOCK CHASE COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE**  
**APPEALS AND COMPLAINTS PANEL**  
**THURSDAY 04 JULY 2013, AT 10.00 A.M.**  
**IN THE CIVIC CENTRE, BEECROFT ROAD, CANNOCK**  
**PART 1**

PRESENT:  
Councillors

Bernard, J.D.	Fisher, P.A.
Bottomer, B.	Kraujalis, J.T.

**1. Appointment of Chairman**

Councillor J.T. Kraujalis was appointed Chairman for the meeting.

**2. Apologies**

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Miss. M.A. Freeman

**3. Declarations of Interests of Members in Contracts and Other Matters and Restriction on Voting by Members**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Interest</b>	<b>Type</b>
Bernard, J.D.	Agenda Item 5 – Know Mrs L. Whitehouse in her capacity as a District Councillor.	Personal
Bottomer, B.	Agenda Item 5 – Know Mrs L. Whitehouse in her capacity as a District Councillor.	Personal
Fisher, P.A.	Agenda Item 5 – Know Mrs L. Whitehouse in her capacity as a District Councillor.	Personal
Kraujalis, J.T.	Agenda Item 5 – Know Mrs L. Whitehouse in her capacity as a District Councillor.	Personal

**4. Exclusion of the Public**

RESOLVED:

That the public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting because of the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 2 and 3, Part 1, Schedule 12A, Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

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**PART 2**

**5. Homelessness Appeal**

Consideration was given to the Not for Publication Report of the Head of Housing (Enclosure 5.1 – 5.3 of the Official Minutes of the Council).

The Appellant and her representative were in attendance to present the Appellant's case.

The Chairman introduced the Members present, and invited the appellant, appellant's representative and Council officers to introduce themselves, and then outlined the procedure for the Hearing.

The Officer presented the Council's case by taking the Panel through the report. The Appellant and Appellant's Representative and Members of the Panel were then afforded the opportunity to ask questions of the Officer.

The Appellant and Appellant's Representative presented their case. The Officer and Members of the Panel were then afforded the opportunity to ask questions of the Appellant and Appellant's Representative. Members also put further questions to the Officer.

All parties were given an opportunity to sum up their respective cases.

The Appellant, Appellant's Representative and the Officer then left the room, to enable the Panel to deliberate in private, calling on only the Council's Legal Advisor and Senior Committee Officer for advice.

All parties returned to the meeting and the Chairman outlined the decision of the Panel as follows:-

**DECISIONS:**

1. The appeal is allowed.
2. The Panel finds that the appellant's accommodation at 10 Glencoe Drive was settled accommodation because:
  - a. The tenancy continued for 9 months;

- b. The tenancy had become a periodic tenancy;
  - c. The appellant and her children had settled into school and the local area;
  - d. The landlord did not continue to take any action in respect of the Section 8 notice served.
3. The Panel finds that the appellant is not intentionally homeless, as her homelessness was caused by her illegal eviction from 10 Glencoe Drive.

*The meeting closed at 11.54 a.m.*

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CHAIRMAN