At a Meeting of the Appeals Committee of the Richmondshire District Council held at Mercury House, Station Road, Richmond, North Yorkshire on Tuesday, 15 March 2016 at 2.00 pm.

Present: Councillors Lawrence Grose, Angus Thompson, Russell Lord and Caroline

Thornton-Berry.

Officers: Brian Bottle (Revenues & Benefits Manager) and Paul Clark (Democratic

Services Officer).

In

Attendance: The Appellant.

Apologies: Councillors Paul Cullen, Linda Curran and Patricia Middlemiss.

A1 Election of Chairman

Resolved: That Councillor Angus Thompson be elected as Chairman for the duration of

the meeting.

A2 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest reported at the meeting.

A3 Procedure

The Chairman explained the purpose of the meeting and the procedure to be

followed in considering it.

A4 Exclusion of the Public

Resolved: That the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of

business on the grounds that they contain information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding

that information).

A5 Appeal - Discretionary Rate Relief

The Revenues and Benefits Manager presented a written report seeking consideration of an appeal against a decision to refuse Discretionary Rate Relief under Sections 43, 47 & 48 of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 (as amended by Section 64 of the Local Government Finance Act 2003).

All relevant parties were given the opportunity to present their case.

Resolved: That the application for Discretionary Rate Relief be refused.

The meeting concluded at approximately 3.00 pm.