

# **CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL**

Minutes of a meeting of the **Cabinet Member for Strategic Communities**  
held on Monday, 30th July, 2012 at Committee Suite 1 & 2, Westfields,  
Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

## **PRESENT**

Councillor D Brown, Cabinet Member for Strategic Communities

## **Officers**

Tina Jones, Partnerships Support Manager  
Paul Mountford, Democratic Services Officer

## **Apologies**

Councillor L Smetham, Cabinet Support Member  
Lynsey Cooper, Partnerships Officer

### **1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **2 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION**

There were no members of the public present.

### **3 POLICY FOR THE ALLOCATION OF GRANTS**

The Council's policy for the allocation of community grants and funding for the 2012/13 financial year was approved on 14<sup>th</sup> May 2012. The policy addressed the governance arrangements, procedures and monitoring process to facilitate the grants process. The aim of community grants was to support small scale community projects aimed at improving the quality of life of local communities. Grants were awarded to organisations, projects and events which met the priorities in the Cheshire East Sustainable Community Strategy.

It was now necessary to amend the grants policy to provide that where applications were made under community-led planning, starter grant category applications could be accepted from parish or town councils to hold funds for the community-led planning group while they established if the community was interested in undertaking a community-led plan.

## **RESOLVED**

That the amended policy for the allocation of community grants in 2012/13 as attached as an Appendix to the report be approved.

#### **4 COMMUNITY GRANTS**

The Council had received various applications for community grants to be considered in line with the Council's Policy for the Allocation of Community Grants. Each grant application was outlined in the report, together with the reason for the recommendation in respect of that application.

All of the proposed grants could be funded from within existing budgets approved as part of the Council's Budget for 2012/13.

#### **RESOLVED**

That the community grants listed in the Appendix be awarded, declined or deferred as indicated.

The meeting commenced at 10.00 am and concluded at 10.15 am

Councillor David Brown (presiding)