

Cheshire East Council

Council

Agenda

Date: Wednesday, 30th July, 2008
Time: 9.30 am
Venue: Council Chamber, Municipal Buildings, Earle Street, Crewe

The agenda is divided into 2 parts. Part 1 is taken in the presence of the public and press. Part 2 items will be considered in the absence of the public and press for the reasons indicated on the agenda and at the foot of each report.

PART 1 – MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED WITH THE PUBLIC AND PRESS PRESENT

1. **Apologies for Absence**
2. **Minutes of Previous meeting** (Pages 1 - 8)

To consider the minutes of the meeting held on 13 May 2008
3. **Chairman's Announcements**

To receive such announcements as may be made by the Chairman of the Council
4. **Records of Decisions of the Cabinet and Minutes of other Committees**

To receive formally the following records of decisions of the Cabinet and Minutes of other Committees as follows: -

Staffing Committee	20 May 2008
Cabinet	21 May 2008
Staffing Committee	4 June 2008
Governance and Constitution Committee	9 June 2008
Cabinet	16 June 2008
Scrutiny Committee	3 July 2008

5. **Declarations of Interest**

To provide an opportunity for Members and Officers to declare any personal and/or prejudicial interests in any item on the agenda

6. **Public Speaking Time/Open Session**

In accordance with Procedure Rules Nos.11 and 35 a total period of 15 minutes is allocated for members of the public to address the Council on any matter relevant to the work of the Council.

Individual members of the public may speak for up to 5 minutes but the Chairman will decide how the period of time allocated for public speaking will be apportioned where there are a number of speakers.

Note: In order for officers to undertake any background research it would be helpful if questions were submitted at least one working day before the meeting.

7. **Notices of Motion**

No Notices of Motion have been received in accordance with Procedure Rule 12

8. **Constitutional Issues: Changes to Portfolios** (Pages 9 - 16)

To consider the proposed allocation of Portfolio responsibilities to the Shadow Council's Cabinet Members

9. **Constitutional Matters: responsibilities of the Staffing Committee and provision of Indemnities** (Pages 17 - 28)

To consider:

1. increasing the responsibilities of the Staffing Committee ; and
2. agreeing that an indemnity be provided to those representing the Council on various bodies

10. **Civic and Ceremonial Issues** (Pages 29 - 32)

To be briefed on a number of Civic and Ceremonial Issues, and to identify any specific matters which are to be pursued for retention or adoption from April 2009.

11. **Members' Allowances Scheme** (Pages 33 - 50)

To consider the recommendations of the County Council's Independent Remuneration Panel concerning the Members' Allowances Scheme for the Shadow period.

12. **Questions**

In accordance with Procedure Rule 11, opportunity is provided for Members of the Shadow Council to ask the Chairman, the appropriate Cabinet Member or the Chairman of a Committee any question about a matter which the Shadow Council, the Cabinet or the Committee has powers, duties or responsibilities.

Questions must be sent in writing to the Interim Monitoring Officer at least 3 clear working days before the meeting.

13. **Exclusion of the Press and Public**

The reports relating to the remaining items on the agenda have been withheld from public circulation and deposit pursuant to Section 100(B)(2) of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that the matters may be determined with the press and public excluded.

The Council may decide that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items pursuant to Section 100(A)4 of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 3 and 4 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 and public interest would not be served in publishing the information.

(Paragraph 3 concerns information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) Paragraph 4 concerns information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under, the authority.)

14. **Severance** (Pages 51 - 60)

To consider the arrangements in relation to severance provisions for non teaching employees in the new Council

15. **Appointment of Chief Executive**

To consider the appointment of the Chief Executive.