

Cheshire East Council

Governance & Constitution Committee

Agenda

Date: Monday, 8th September, 2008
Time: 6.30 pm
Venue: Tatton Room, Town Hall, Macclesfield, Cheshire SK10 1DP

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

2. Declarations of Interest

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

3. Public Question Time/Open Session

In accordance with Rules 11 and 35 a total period of 10 minutes is allocated for members of the public to address the Committee on any matter relating to its work.

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.)

4. Minutes (Pages 1 - 6)

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 14 July 2008.

Minutes attached.

5. Unitary Council Constitution: Summary and Explanation (Pages 7 - 18)

To approve the draft Summary and Explanation of the Constitution.

Report of the Interim Monitoring Officer attached.

Please contact Carole Roberts on 01270 529733 or 01270 529736
E-Mail: carole.roberts@cheshireeast.gov.uk with any apologies or requests for further information or to give notice of a question to be asked by a member of the public

6. Part 2 of the Constitution (Pages 19 - 58)

To endorse the draft chapters comprising part 2 of the Constitution.

Report of the Interim Monitoring officer attached.

7. Shadow Council's Constitution: Potential Changes (Pages 59 - 64)

To consider changes to the Council's Constitution.

Report of the Interim Monitoring Officer attached.

8. Delegation of Functions to Portfolio Holders, Decision Making Bodies and Officers (Pages 65 - 68)

To consider the delegation of functions.

Report of the Interim Monitoring Officer attached.

9. Code of Corporate Governance (Pages 69 - 72)

To consider requirements for a local code of corporate governance.

Report of the Governance Group attached.

10. Appointments to Cheshire Fire Authority (Pages 73 - 74)

To appoint Members to the Cheshire Fire Authority as representatives of Cheshire East Council.

Report of the Governance Lead Officer attached.

11. Proposals for a Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Committee for East Cheshire. (Pages 75 - 80)

To consider a recommendation from the Scrutiny Committee to constitute a Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Committee for East Cheshire.

Report of the Governance Lead Officer attached.

12. Date of Next Meeting

To confirm that the next meeting will be held on 6 October 2008 at 2.00 pm