

Governance & Constitution Committee

Agenda

Date: Monday, 6th October, 2008
Time: 2.00 pm
Venue: Committee Suite 2&3, Westfields, Middlewich Road, Sandbach, Cheshire CW11 1HZ

1. **Apologies for Absence**

2. **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

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

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

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 of Previous meeting** (Pages 1 - 6)

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 8 September 2008.

5. **Local Authority School Governor Appointment Process** (Pages 7 - 18)

To approve the process for appointing Local Authority (LA) Governors to school governing bodies.

Please contact Julie North on 01270 529728
E-Mail: julie.north@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. **Appointments to Cheshire Police Authority** (Pages 19 - 22)

To consider the arrangements for the appointment of Members to the Cheshire Police Authority, initially with observer status.

7. **Progress Report on Development of a Work Programme and Recommendations to deal with Appointments to Outside Bodies** (Pages 23 - 30)

To receive a progress update on the work of the Task & Recommendation Group - Outside Organisations and to consider its proposals for developing criteria and procedures to form the basis of an appointment process which can be put into effect from 1 April 2009.

8. **Whistleblowing Protocol** (Pages 31 - 40)

To approve the new unitary Council's Whistleblowing Protocol.

9. **Petition for Borough Status** (Pages 41 - 46)

To receive an update on the proposed application for Borough status, as agreed in principle by Council on 30 July 2008.

10. **Cheshire East Work Plan** (Pages 47 - 50)

To approve an updated Work Plan.