

# **Governance & Constitution Committee**

## **Agenda**

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**Date:** Monday, 12th January, 2009  
**Time:** 2.00 pm  
**Venue:** Committee Suite 1 & 2, Westfields, Middlewich Road,  
Sandbach CW11 1HZ

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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. **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.

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Please contact	Mark Nedderman on 01270 529640
E-Mail:	mark.nedderman@congleton.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

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4. **Minutes of Previous meeting** (Pages 1 - 8)

To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 1 December 2008.

5. **Cheshire East Work Plan** (Pages 9 - 12)

To note the current updated work plan.

6. **Progress Report - Appointments to Outside Bodies** (Pages 13 - 16)

To note progress made with arrangements to deal with appointments to outside bodies.

7. **Member/Officer Relations Protocol** (Pages 17 - 28)

To consider the proposed member/Officer relations protocol and recommend to Full Council that the protocol be adopted into the Constitution.

8. **Scrutiny Procedure Rules** (Pages 29 - 42)

To consider a paper setting out the draft Scrutiny Procedure Rules which will apply with effect from 1 April 2009.

9. **Local Choice Functions**

Report to follow.

10. **Delegation of Executive Functions**

Report to follow.

11. **Cabinet Decision Making Arrangements**

Report to follow.

12. **Cabinet Procedure Rules**

Report to follow.