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## CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Cabinet**held on Tuesday, 6th January, 2009 at Committee Suite 1,2 & 3, Westfields,
Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

#### **PRESENT**

Councillor W Fitzgerald (Chairman)
Councillor R Domleo (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors D Brickhill, D Brown, P Findlow, F Keegan, A Knowles, J Macrae and B Silvester

In attendance:

Councillors R Fletcher, B Neilson, A Richardson, L Smetham and A Thwaite,

## 126 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor P Mason.

## 127 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members gave a general declaration of personal interest in respect of every item on the agenda where an individual member was a Member of Cheshire County Council and/or of one of the Current Borough Councils. In accordance with the Code of Conduct they remained in the meeting during consideration of the relevant items.

## 128 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION

There were no questions from members of the public.

## 129 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

**RESOLVED** 

The minutes of the meeting held on 17 December 2008 were approved as a correct record.

## 130 NOTICE OF MOTION - SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES ACT

Consideration was given to the Notice of Motion proposed by Councillor R Fletcher, seconded by Councillor D Neilson, submitted to the Council at its meeting on 9 December 2008.

Cabinet welcomed the views expressed in points (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) of the motion which it considered supported the aims of Cheshire East Council in respect of sustainable communities. With regard to point (v) Cabinet confirmed that this was an area that would be pursued further at a later

date, once the Council had been operational for a reasonable period of time, with a view to seeking additional funding and support for work in the communities. Cabinet considered that the actions set out in point (vi) were already adequately covered by existing ways of working and consultation measures and did not need to be reiterated further.

## **RESOLVED**

For the reasons now given: -

That points (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) of the Notice of Motion be approved.

## 131 KEY DECISION CE28 CULTURE AND VALUES

Consideration was given to a final set of core organisational values for Cheshire East, on which staff had been consulted, and to ways in which they could be embedded as an important step towards building a high performance culture for the new Council.

## **RESOLVED**

For the reasons set out in the report: -

- 1. That approval be given to the adoption of the revised ASPIRE core values framework in Appendix 2 of the report.
- 2. That approval be given to the development of a Values based performance management framework to be introduced from day one as outlined in Section 12 of the report.
- 3. That approval be given to the introduction of the Values through communications and the development of induction processes.

# 132 KEY DECISION CE52 DISAGGREGATION OF THE COUNTY BALANCE SHEET

Consideration was given to the report of the Borough Treasurer and Head of Assets, a copy of which was circulated at the meeting. The report detailed the agreement reached between Cheshire East Council and Cheshire West and Chester Council with regard to the disaggregation of the Cheshire County Council Balance Sheet, in accordance with the Department of Communities and Local Government deadline of 31 December 2008, and also the work that remained to be completed in order to achieve a full Local Agreement by 31 March 2009.

## **RESOLVED**

For the reasons set out in the report: -

 That the agreement made between Cheshire East Council and Cheshire West and Chester Council submitted to the Department of Communities and Local Government on 19 December 2008 with

- regard to the disaggregation of Cheshire County Council's balance sheet, detailed in Section 5 of the report, be noted.
- That it be confirmed that the delegation of the local agreement of the County Balance Sheet disaggregation package to the Borough Treasurer and Head of Assets, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Resources, the Leader of the Council and the Performance and Capacity Portfolio Holder, will continue up to 31 March 2009.

# 133 KEY DECISION CE56 CRIMINAL RECORDS BUREAU AND INDEPENDENT SAFEGUARDING AUTHORITY

Consideration was given to this report on the implications of the Criminal Records Bureau and Independent Safeguarding Authority requirements for the new Council. Cabinet expressed concern at the resulting cost to this and other Council's of carrying out these checks and registration checks, to the potential duplication of work entailed in respect of those people who might require both to be carried out or for them to be carried out by more than one Council, and also to the position regarding foreign nationals. It was requested that a further report be prepared on these areas of concern.

#### **RESOLVED**

For the reasons set out in the report and as now given: -

- 1. That approval be given for Back Office Shared Services, if agreed by Cheshire East and Cheshire West and Chester, to manage the processes on behalf of Cheshire East.
- 2. That approval be given for candidates, employees, and Members not to be required to pay for the cost of any required CRB checks or ISA registration and that the financial consequences of this decision be noted.
- 3. That approval be given for the Head of Human Resources, in liaison with the Director of People, to be accountable for ensuring that the Council complies with CRB and ISA requirements.
- 4. That approval be given for the Head of Human Resources to develop the Council's approach to supporting voluntary bodies in relation to CRB and ISA and to develop the necessary policies which will be required in relation to CRB checks and ISA requirements.

(Councillor R Domleo left the meeting prior to consideration of the remaining items on the agenda and did not return.)

#### 134 PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSING RENEWAL POLICY

Consideration was given to this report seeking approval for the draft interim Cheshire East Private Sector Assistance Policy to be circulated for public response, and for approval in principle to be given to the Policy subject to no significant changes arising as a result.

## **RESOLVED**

For the reasons set out in the report: -

That approval be given to circulate the Interim Cheshire East Private Sector Assistance Policy for public response and that it be approved in principle subject to there being no significant changes as a result.

## 135 CABINET DECISION MAKING ARRANGEMENTS

Consideration was given to the report of the Monitoring Officer on options for Cabinet arrangements for the Council from 1 April 2009. It was reported that following circulation of the report further consideration had been given to the decision requested; a revised wording had subsequently been prepared and a copy of this was circulated and agreed by the Cabinet, subject to further consideration being given to the definition of a key decision.

#### **RESOLVED**

For the reasons set out in the report and as now given: -

That the Governance and Constitution Committee recommend to Council that, with effect from Vesting Day:

- 1.The Council shall have a Leader and Cabinet form of executive arrangements, these to include the "Strong Leader" model in, in respect of which, and amongst other things, the Leader:
  - a. is elected by Council;
  - b. is empowered to appoint Members of the Council to and remove Members of the Council from the Cabinet, subsequent notification being given to Council;
  - c. is empowered to determine the extent of the decision-making powers of Cabinet Members and other executive decisionmaking bodies.
- 2.The Council's executive arrangements shall comprise those arrangements set out in Appendices A and B to the report, subject to the following changes:

- References to Deputy Leader are to be removed from the Adult Services Portfolio and the role of Deputy Leader defined
- b. The following functions listed within the Children and Family Services Portfolio to apply, as appropriate, to the Portfolio Holders for Adult Services, Children and Family Services and Health and Wellbeing:
  - i. Liaison with NHS Trusts and Health Authorities;
  - ii. Mental Health and Disability;
  - iii. Health Promotion;
  - iv. Development of Integrated Services with Health Partners.
- c. The references within the Children and Family Services Portfolio to:
  - Mental Health and Disability, to be made specific to Children and Young People; and
  - ii. Connexions, to be removed.
- d. In respect of the Health and Wellbeing Portfolio:
  - i. Public Rights of Way to be added beneath Countryside.
  - ii. Tourism to become a dependency, rather than being a prime responsibility.
- e. In respect of the Environmental Services Portfolio:
  - i. Health and Safety enforcement to become a dependency rather than being a prime responsibility;
  - Public Rights of Way Maintenance to be deleted and moved to Health and Wellbeing, as Public Rights of Way.
- f. The Prosperity Portfolio to include Building Control.
- g. The Safer and Stronger Communities Portfolio to include Health and Safety enforcement in the list of prime responsibilities.
- h. The Performance and Capacity Portfolio to include Twinning in the list of prime responsibilities.
- 3. Further consideration be given to the definition of a Key Decision, to potentially include a financial threshold of £1M, beyond which an executive

decision shall be a Key Decision; and that a report be made to Members on the implications.

4. That the Governance and Constitution Committee recommend to Council that the Monitoring Officer be authorised to make such changes to the Council's emerging Constitution as he considers are necessary to give effect to the wishes of Council.

## 136 LOCAL CHOICE FUNCTIONS

Consideration was given to the report of the Monitoring Officer on options for delivering local functions from 1 April 2009. It was reported that following circulation of the report further consideration had been given to the decision requested; a revised wording had subsequently been prepared and a copy of this was circulated and agreed to by the Cabinet. In addition it was noted that in Section 1: Responsibility for Local Choice Functions the Officer to whom the function of appointing Members to Police Authorities had been left blank but that this would be the Borough Solicitor and Monitoring Officer.

## **RESOLVED**

For the reasons set out in the report: -

That the Governance and Constitution Committee be requested to recommend to Council that:

- With effect from Vesting Day, the allocation of local choice functions between Cabinet and the Council, and the further delegations to committees and officers, be as set out in the appendices to the report, subject to the Borough Solicitor and Monitoring Officer being responsible for arrangements for questions at Council on Police Authority functions.
- 2. The Monitoring Officer be authorised to determine the remaining detail of the allocation of local choice functions in consultation with the Leader and appropriate Cabinet Members, and to make such amendments to the Council's emerging Constitution as he considers are necessary to give effect to the decision of Council.

#### 137 DELEGATION OF EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS

Consideration was given to the report of the Monitoring Officer on options for delegating and recording the delegation of executive functions from 1 April 2009. It was reported that following circulation of the report further consideration had been given to the decision requested; a revised wording had subsequently been prepared and a copy of this was circulated and agreed by the Cabinet.

## **RESOLVED**

For the reasons set out in the report: -

That the Governance and Constitution Committee be requested to recommend to Council that:

- 1. With effect from Vesting Day, the approach set out in the Appendix to the report be adopted as part of Cheshire East's executive arrangements, and that this be reflected in the Council's Constitution.
- 2. The Monitoring Officer be authorised to determine the remaining detail of the Appendix in consultation with the Leader and appropriate Cabinet Members, and to make such amendments to the Council's emerging Constitution as he considers are necessary to give effect to the decision of Council.

## 138 CABINET PROCEDURE RULES

Consideration was given to the report of the Monitoring Officer on the Cabinet Procedure Rules which would apply with effect from 1 April 2009. It was reported that following circulation of the report further consideration had been given to the decision requested; a revised wording had subsequently been prepared and a copy of this was circulated. In discussing the options in respect of public speaking at meetings of the Cabinet it was agreed that the period of notice required for the submission of any questions should be 3 working days, in order to allow adequate time in which to prepare a response.

## **RESOLVED**

For the reasons set out in the report and as now given: -

- 1.That the Governance and Constitution Committee recommend to Council:
  - a. That the Cabinet Procedure Rules appended to the report should be adopted by the Council with effect from Vesting Day.
  - b. That the issues identified in Appendix A of the report be noted and that the Council shall have a Leader and Cabinet form of executive arrangements, these to include the "Strong Leader" model.
  - c. That a 3 working day notice period be required in respect of any question which is to be asked at Cabinet by a member of the public.

2. That a further report be made to members upon the practical arrangements for individual Cabinet Member decision-making.

## 139 SECTION 24 SCHEDULES OF CONSENT

Consideration was given to the report of the Interim Monitoring Officer and Chief Finance Officer. This report was circulated at the meeting.

## **RESOLVED**

For the reasons set out in the report: -

That it be noted that no delegated decisions had been made since the last meeting of the Cabinet.

## 140 PROGRESS REPORTING PAPER

Cabinet was informed that work over the coming months would include office accommodation, the civil enforcement of parking, media relations cover, ICT strategy, children and family services, the harmonisation of waste collection and of car parking charges across the area, and the local economy. It was anticipated that a revised reporting format would be available in time for the next meeting.

**RESOLVED** 

That the report be noted.

The meeting commenced at 2.00 pm and concluded at 3.45 pm

W Fitzgerald (Chairman)

# CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

## Cabinet

**Date of meeting:** 6<sup>th</sup> January 2009

Report of: Borough Treasurer & Head of Assets

Title: Disaggregation of Cheshire County Council Balance Sheet

## 1.0 Purpose of Report

1.1 The County Council's assets and liabilities, as at 31/03/09, need to be allocated to the two new Councils on a fair, equitable and transparent basis.

- 1.2 The balance sheet by its very nature will not be finalised until the County Council's accounts are closed for 2008/09 (September 2009). Hence the 2007/08 balance sheet position has been used as a basis for agreeing the principles by which the assets and liabilities will be distributed. The final numbers will not be known until later, but this in itself does not affect the ability of both Councils to agree a basis of allocation.
- 1.3 The Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) set out guidelines for the process and a date for local agreement to be achieved by 31<sup>st</sup> December 2008.
- 1.4 A progress report went to Cheshire East Cabinet on 4<sup>th</sup> November 2008, which delegated the agreement of the Cheshire County Council Balance Sheet disaggregation package to the Chief Finance Officer (S151 Officer) in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Resources, the Leader and the other Performance & Capacity Portfolio Holders.
- 1.5 A further report went to Cheshire East Cabinet on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2008, which agreed that:
  - Cheshire West & Chester Council will be responsible for the Closure of Accounts for Cheshire County Council for 2008/09 and Cheshire East Council will be responsible for the Closure of Accounts for the Districts in the Cheshire East area for 2008/09.
  - 2. Cheshire West & Chester Council as nominated authority will hold on trust for itself and Cheshire East Council the reserves of Cheshire County Council up to the date agreed by the successor Councils.
  - 3. The arrangements detailed in the report for the role of the caretaker authority are adopted.

- 4. The organisations detailed in the report are identified to arbitrate in the event that an agreement is not reached by 31<sup>st</sup> December 2008.
- 1.6 This report details the agreement that has been reached between Cheshire East Council and Cheshire West & Chester Council with regard to the disaggregation of the Cheshire County Council balance sheet, in accordance with the DCLG deadline of 31<sup>st</sup> December 2008.
- 1.7 The report also sets out the work that still needs to be completed in order to achieve a full Local Agreement by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2009.

## 2.0 Decision Required

- 2.1 To note the agreement made between Cheshire East Council and Cheshire West & Chester Council submitted to DCLG on 19<sup>th</sup> December 2008 with regard to the disaggregation of Cheshire County Council's balance sheet (as detailed in Section 5).
- 2.2 To confirm that the delegation of the local agreement of the County Balance Sheet disaggregation package, to the Borough Treasurer & Head of Assets, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Resources, the Leader and the other Performance and Capacity Portfolio Holders, will continue up to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2009.

## 3.0 Financial Implications for Transitional Costs

3.1 There are no implications for transitional costs in 2008-09 providing that arbitration is not required. In the event that arbitration is required the costs would be split between Cheshire East Council and Cheshire West & Chester Council in an agreed proportion. Existing Finance staffing resources are being allocated to analyse the balance sheet entries and the proposed disaggregation bases.

## 4.0 Financial Implications 2009/10 and Beyond

- 4.1 The disaggregation of the County Balance Sheet and the aggregation of the District balance sheets form the opening financial position for the new authority. It is therefore very important that the disaggregation is done on an equitable and robust basis to ensure that Cheshire East and Cheshire West & Chester inherit the appropriate balance sheet position.
- 4.2 The balance sheet position for each authority will be finalised following the publication of the Statement of Accounts for each existing authority at the end of September 2009. However, some of the agreements made between the two Councils as part of this exercise will extend beyond this deadline e.g. agreements on the ongoing ownership and management of shared assets.

## 5.0 Agreement Submitted to DCLG

- 5.1 The County Council's balance sheet at 31/03/08 contained £1.288bn of assets, and £831m of liabilities giving a net worth of £457m. The exercise of disaggregating the balance sheet is therefore a significant exercise both in terms of workload but also impact on the financial health of the new Authorities.
- 5.2 Considerable progress has been made on this exercise. County Council officers have independently analysed the balance sheet and its links to the two new Councils. The County Finance Officer has taken on the role of 'Honest Broker' and made recommendations to the Interim Chief Finance Officers of both Cheshire East and Cheshire West and Chester.
- 5.3 The balance sheet is a complex statement and as such a number of different approaches have been used to classify areas of the balance sheet into:
  - A tangible asset to be allocated to one or other Authority.
  - 'Real cash' (i.e. Reserves)
  - Accounting or notional areas
  - Year end issues (i.e. debtors and creditors) which are time limited in their nature and relate predominantly to cash flow.
- 5.4 Agreements have now been reached on the vast majority of the categories on the County Council's balance sheet and considerable progress made on the outstanding items. This position was agreed at a meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> December 2008 between the relevant Portfolio Holders for Cheshire East Council and Cheshire West & Chester Council, the interim Chief Finance Officers and the relevant supporting officers.
- 5.5 The County Finance Officer submitted a letter to DCLG on 19<sup>th</sup> December 2008 detailing the significant progress made and the work still to be completed ahead of 31<sup>st</sup> March 2009. This complies with Regulation 13 of the Local Government (Structural Changes) (Transfer of Functions, Property, Rights and Liabilities) Regulations 2008, which provides that:
  - 'where no agreement has been reached in relation to the transfer of particular property, rights or liabilities by the date that falls three months before the reorganisation date (31 December 2008 in the case of authorities affected by existing section 7 orders), transfer is to one or more caretaker councils on the reorganisation date. Successor councils must continue to use their best endeavours to reach agreement before the reorganisation date.'
- 5.6 The letter states that both Councils are confident that a full Local Agreement will be in place prior to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2009 (or earlier) on the outstanding issues. It is anticipated that there will be little or no need for arbitration, however, if any matters were to require this facility the arrangements are in place as detailed in the report to Cheshire East Cabinet on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2008.
- 5.7 Local agreements have been reached on the principles to be applied to disaggregate the vast majority of the individual components of the balance sheet, including major categories such as Operational Properties (Schools, Libraries etc), Infrastructure (Roads, Bridges etc), Vehicles, Furniture &

Equipment, Liabilities such as Long Term Borrowing through to Earmarked Reserves. Agreement has also been reached as to how the significant level of Debtors and Creditors associated with the County Council at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2009 will be dealt with. Cheshire West & Chester will be the nominated Council which takes responsibility for this activity.

## 6.0 Areas Requiring Formal Agreement by 31st March 2009

- 6.1 There are some areas of the County balance sheet where significant progress has been made but a formal agreement is not yet in place:
  - Administrative Buildings Whilst most of the Councils c600 buildings have been allocated on an agreed basis of disaggregation, a small number of Administrative Buildings (8 properties) which are used to provide services to the whole of Cheshire remain under negotiation. Work is progressing well with independent valuations undertaken and usage identified. Negotiations are continuing on how these may be jointly owned, how they link to developing property strategies for the new Councils, and the management of any associated disposal / exit strategy.
  - Countywide Buildings A small number of properties (11 in total) currently provide direct services to the entire County of Cheshire. The balance sheet treatment of these is currently being developed alongside other service delivery (i.e. joint arrangement) and budget considerations.
  - Capital Reserve This reserve exists to support past and ongoing capital schemes started by the County Council. A majority of the schemes assumed to be temporarily funded from this reserve on vesting day have been allocated to one or other new Council. However the treatment of two key items is still being considered, this involves the timing of a potential capital receipt and the risk involved in grant funding being received.
  - Insurance Reserve This is still being considered, including how any surplus / deficits on the reserve are split between the new Councils.
  - General Reserves A number of possible methods have been considered. However this is likely to be the final item to be agreed once negotiations on the other areas have concluded.
- 6.2 It should be noted for these few residual items proposals have been prepared and initial discussion taken place in all cases. The two Councils are therefore confident that these residual items will be resolved by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2009 at the latest, with the aim locally of resolving them as soon as possible in the New Year, bearing in mind the potential linkages with other key financial priorities such as budget setting for 2009/10.

## 7.0 Legal Implications

7.1 The disaggregation of the County Balance Sheet is being conducted in accordance with the Local Government (Structural Changes) (Transfer of

Functions, Property, Rights and Liabilities) Regulations 2008. This includes the role of the 'nominated' authority in terms of the vesting of Cheshire County Council reserves and the role of 'caretaker' authority in terms of any residual matters. Both roles are being considered as part of the disaggregation exercise.

9.2 There are likely to be a number of arrangements agreed as part of the disaggregation exercise that will require a formal agreement. The required agreements will be identified as part of the work to be completed by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2009.

#### 9.0 Risk Assessment

- 9.1 If the disaggregation of the County Balance Sheet is in dispute, in line with the Local Government (Structural Changes) (Transfer of Functions, Property, Rights and Liabilities) Regulations 2008, DCLG will take the dispute to arbitration. However, the work that has been described in this report demonstrates that plans are in place to achieve agreement by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2009.
- 9.2 Due to the complex nature of this major exercise the allocation of each element of the Balance Sheet requires detailed analysis which causes a risk to the achievement of the 31<sup>st</sup> March 2009 deadline and the accuracy of the final position. However, the work that has been described in this report demonstrates that the exercise is being conducted on a planned and robust basis with oversight from the County's 'Honest Broker', the Chief Finance Officers and the relevant Portfolio Holders from each shadow authority.
- 9.3 The main revenue reserve on the County Balance Sheet is the County Fund. In the current financial year, the lead up year, the County Fund is being used to fund the County's share of net Transitional Costs. If costs exceed the current agreed allocations for each authority the share of the County Fund could be less than forecast, which could impact on the adequacy of reserves in 2009/10. However, Transitional Costs are being closely managed on a joint basis to ensure that costs are minimised where possible and afforded from existing resources where available.

## 10.0 Conclusion and Reasons for Recommendation

- 10.1 This report demonstrates the significant progress that has been made in agreeing the disaggregation of the Cheshire County Council balance sheet. The DCLG deadline of 31<sup>st</sup> December 2008 has been complied with in accordance with Regulation 13 of the Local Government (Structural Changes) (Transfer of Functions, Property, Rights and Liabilities) Regulations 2008.
- 10.2 The report sets out the work that is still to be completed in the New Year in order to reach a full Local Agreement by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2009. In each area to be finalised, significant progress has already been made to date and the main principles of disaggregation have been agreed in each case.
- 10.3 The report also seeks confirmation that the agreement of the County Balance Sheet package is delegated to the Borough Treasurer & Head of Assets in

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consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Resources, the Leader and other Performance and Capacity portfolio holders up to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2009.

10.4 A further report will be brought to Cabinet on conclusion of the final Local Agreement.

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## **Background Documents:**

Local Government (Structural Changes) (Transfer of Functions, Property, Rights and Liabilities) Regulations 2008

Documents are available for inspection at:

Cheshire East Democratic Services Westfields Middlewich Road Sandbach CW11 1HZ

# CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

# **CABINET**

Date of meeting: 6 January 2009

**Report of:** Interim Monitoring Officer and Chief Finance Officer

**Title:** Section 24 Applications for Consent

## 1.0 Purpose of Report

1.1 To inform the Cabinet of any S24 Specific Consents issued under delegated powers since the last Cabinet meeting.

## 2.0 Decision Required

2.1 To note that there have been no delegated decisions made since the last Cabinet meeting.

## 3.0 Financial Implications for Transition Costs

3.1 None for transitional costs in 2008-09.

## 4.0 Financial Implications 2009/10 and beyond

4.1 The financial implications for S.24 decisions will form part of the overall financial position of the existing Cheshire East Authorities as at 31 March 2009. This financial position will be inherited from 1 April 2009.

## 5.0 Legal Implications

5.1 See 6.1 below.

## 6.0 Risk Assessment

6.1 There is a risk of certain transactions by existing authorities being void if the necessary consents are not obtained for these from the Shadow authorities; however, the general and specific consent procedure and guidance have been put in place to mitigate this risk and ensure that appropriate consents are sought and given where needed.

## 7.0 Background and Options

7.1 On 21 May 2008 Cabinet agreed a General Consent for existing East Cheshire authorities to enter into land transactions and contracts to values which were set out in the report. It also delegated power to the Interim Monitoring Officer and Interim Chief Finance Officer for Cheshire East to give Specific Consents in relation to applications to proceed with transactions in excess of these amounts, with a discretion reserved to those officers to refer the matters back to members where they see fit. The Chief Financial Officer appointment has now been confirmed.

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- 7.2 No Section 24 Consents were dealt with under delegated powers since the last Cabinet meeting.
- 8.0 Overview of Day One, Year One and Term One Issues
- 8.1 Not applicable.
- 9.0 Reasons for Recommendation
- 9.1 To inform Members that there have been no delegated decisions made since the last Cabinet meeting.

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## **Background Documents:**

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