

# **Strategic Planning Board**

## Agenda

Date: Wednesday, 25th March, 2009

Time: 10.30 am

Venue: Meeting Room, Alsager Civic Centre, Lawton Road, Alsager

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 of business on the agenda.

## 3. Public Speaking Time/Open Session

Until 1 April 2009, general public speaking rights as set out in the Constitution of Cheshire East Council will apply to the Strategic Planning Board.

Therefore, 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)

For any apologies or requests for further information, or to give notice of a question to be<br/>asked by a member of the publicContact:Diane MoulsonTel:01270 537026E-Mail:diane.moulson@crewe-nantwich.gov.uk

To approve as correct the Minutes of the meeting held on 4 March 2009.

#### a) Urgent Item

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1972, business could only be transacted at a meeting if included on an agenda which had been subject to five clear days notice. The Chairman could, by reason of special circumstance, place urgent business before the Committee provided that the reasons for doing so were stipulated.

#### 5. **Proposed Training Schedule for Councillors on Strategic Planning Board and Planning Committees** (Pages 7 - 10)

The Strategic Planning Board is invited to consider a programme of training for Councillors on Strategic Planning Board and Northern and Southern Planning Committees post Vesting day (1 April 2009).

## 6. **Planning Application Validation: Local Check Lists** (Pages 11 - 92)

The local lists define what information needs to be submitted with a planning application for it to be registered.

The report of the Principal Planning Officer invites the Strategic Planning Board to approve, for implementation with effect from 1 April 2009, local checklists to be used in the validation of planning applications across Cheshire East.

#### 7. Equality Impact Assessment: Times of Committee Meetings (Pages 93 - 98)

At its meeting on 4 March 2009, the Strategic Planning Board recommended that meetings of the Board and the Northern and Southern Planning Committees should commence at 2pm.

In making its recommendation, the Strategic Planning Board was not made aware of any equality issues that might arise from the decision. Therefore, in order to ensure that all associated matters have been considered fully; an equality impact assessment is attached for Members' consideration.

## 8. Date of Next Meeting

Subject to final approval by Full Council on 2 April 2009, the next meeting of the Strategic Planning Board will be held on Wednesday 15 April 2009.