

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Cabinet**
held on Tuesday, 18th May, 2010 at Committee Suite 1,2 & 3, Westfields,
Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

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

Councillors Rachel Bailey, D Brown, F Keegan, A Knowles, P Mason and R Menlove.

Councillors in attendance:
Councillors Rhoda Bailey, D Brickhill, L Smetham, D Stockton, A Thwaite and G Walton.

Officers in attendance:
Chief Executive, Borough Treasurer and Head of Assets, Head of HR and Organisational Development, Legal Services Manager, Strategic Director People, Strategic Director Places and Waste PFI Project Director.

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors H Gaddum and J Macrae.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor R Menlove declared a personal and prejudicial interest in agenda item 8 (Key Decision 38 Waste PFI Contract Affordability Ceiling) by virtue of being Chairman of the Tatton Conservative Association and of his association with the Tatton MP, George Osborne, Honorary Life President of CHAIN).

3 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION

There were no questions from members of the public.

4 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 20 April, 2010 were approved as a correct record.

5 THE PLEDGE TO CHESHIRE EAST CARED FOR CHILDREN

Consideration was given to adopting the Pledge recommended by the Children in Care Council as the Pledge to Cheshire East Cared for Children.

All local authorities were required to make such a pledge and the Cheshire East Children in Care Council had considered what they would wish to be included in it; the Corporate Parenting Board had considered the recommendations at its meeting on 31 March 2010 and recommended its adoption.

RESOLVED

For the reasons set out in the report: -

That the Pledge recommended by the Children in Care Council be adopted as the Pledge to Children who are cared for by Cheshire East Council.

6 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items pursuant to Section 100(A)4 of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 and public interest would not be served in publishing the information.

7 MANAGING WORKFORCE CHANGE

Consideration was given to the report of the Head of Human Resources and Organisational Development.

RESOLVED

For the reasons set out in the report: -

1. That Cabinet supports the decision of the Chief Executive to release the employees, whose roles were listed as 1 and 2 on Appendix A of the report, under the arrangements agreed in relation to voluntary severance provisions for employees in the Council.
2. That the details of the employee, listed as number 3 on Appendix A of the report, be noted in that following a management decision regarding this service, there was an urgent need to consider this employee's request for voluntary severance. As a result the Executive Member for Resources agreed to release this employee under the terms of his delegated powers.

8 KEY DECISION 38 WASTE TREATMENT PFI CONTRACT AFFORDABILITY CEILING

Councillor R Menlove had declared a personal and prejudicial interest in this item.

Consideration was given to the report of the Waste PFI Project Director. Cabinet was informed that at its meeting the previous day the Environment and Prosperity Scrutiny Committee had considered the report, approved its recommendations, and added a further recommendation in respect of WREN funding.

RESOLVED

For the reasons set out in the report: -

That Council be recommended to approve the recommendations contained in the report, with the additional recommendation of the Environment and Prosperity Scrutiny Committee.

The meeting commenced at 2.00 pm and concluded at 3.00 pm

W Fitzgerald (Chairman)