

# **CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL**

Minutes of a meeting of the **Cabinet**  
held on Monday, 20th December, 2010 in 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, H Gaddum, A Knowles, J Macrae and P Mason

Councillors in attendance:

Councillors D Flude, A Moran, D Neilson, B Silvester, L Smetham, G Walton and R Westwood.

Officers in attendance:

Chief Executive, Borough Treasurer and Head of Assets, Director of Adult, Community, Health and Wellbeing, Director of Children and Families, Head of Policy and Performance, Head of Regeneration, HR Delivery Manager, Interim Borough Solicitor and Strategic Director Places.

## **97 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor R Menlove.

## **98 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

## **99 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION**

Ray Cartwright and Anne Cantwell attended and spoke in respect of their concerns surrounding the future running of the Day Care Centres in Crewe, the future quality of the care to be provided and the position of both staff and volunteers.

Anna Findlow attended and spoke regarding the future running/manning of the bus station at Macclesfield in the light of information which was circulating locally.

## **100 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

### **RESOLVED**

That the minutes of the meeting held on 6 December 2010 be approved as a correct record.

**KEY DECISION 59 MACCLESFIELD ECONOMIC MASTERPLAN**

Consideration was given to the development of an economic masterplan for Macclesfield, and action plans in relation to the town centre and the South Macclesfield Development Area. The report had been produced with the support of consultants over the past ten months and included technical and market analysis, a deliverability review, consultation with the public and key stakeholders and the development of separate but linked action plans for the two area.

**RESOLVED**

1. That Cabinet endorses the Economic Masterplan and supporting Action Plans
2. That approval be given to the regeneration actions for Macclesfield town centre.
3. That the proposed strategy for the South Macclesfield Development Area be endorsed.
4. That agreement be given to the commencement of work to deliver the Action Plans with partners.

**KEY DECISION 63 ALL CHANGE FOR CREWE - IMPLEMENTING CREWE VISION**

Consideration was given to an update on progress towards the development of an economic vision for Crewe and endorsement was sought to move the project from the development into the delivery phase under the working title “All Change for Crewe”. The Crewe Vision strategic framework and priorities had been finalised and endorsed by a wide range of public and private sector partners and “All Change for Crewe” set out ambitious plans for Crewe’s growth, seeking to make it a nationally significant economic centre by 2031.

**RESOLVED**

1. That *All Change for Crewe* – a Strategic Framework for Economic Growth 2010 – 2030 be endorsed.
2. That endorsement be given to the development of a Partnership Board proposal for Crewe which, it is envisaged, will be tasked with providing additional private sector stimulus and leadership to the regeneration of Crewe and the delivery of the key priorities and projects identified in *All Change for Crewe*.

**STOPPING UP OF STREETS**

Consideration was given to the Council's policy of removing existing highway rights from private streets and publicly maintained highways. The aim of the policy was to reduce the need to maintain the highway at public expense where local residents wished to seek a Stopping Up Order and the highway rights were considered to be unnecessary.

**RESOLVED**

1. That the obligations of the highway authority, the implications of Stopping Up Orders and the emerging policy in this area be noted.
2. The Cabinet, or the relevant Portfolio Holder, consider requests from residents who indicate a wish to remove the highway rights and extinguish general public access to highway within the Borough and, in cases where it is considered that the highway rights are unnecessary, and where the local residents agree to meet the necessary costs, will apply to the Magistrates' Court for an order to stop up that length of the highway. Each case will be considered on its own merits, which will include the level of support by local residents and the views of Ward Members.

**104 WINTER LEARNING - RESPONSE TO ENVIRONMENTAL SCRUTINY COMMITTEE REVIEW**

Consideration was given to the operational response to the recommendations of the Environmental Scrutiny Committee. The recommendations arose from the Committee's review following the longest and deepest winter for approximately thirty years; an appendix to the report detailed the operational response to each its recommendations to be included in the Council's Winter Maintenance Plan 2010/11.

**RESOLVED**

That Cabinet endorses the operational response to the Environmental Scrutiny Committee recommendations, as detailed in the appendix to the report.

**105 OBESITY AND DIABETES REVIEW - RESPONSE TO THE HEALTH AND ADULT SOCIAL CARE SCRUTINY REVIEW**

Consideration was given to an update setting out the initial responses from the Portfolio Holders for Health and Wellbeing, Children and Families, and the Primary Care Trust to the recommendations of the Review Panel set up by the Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Committee to look at Obesity and Diabetes. The full report had been received by the Cabinet at its meeting on 20 September 2010 and since then the recommendations had been looked at in depth; an appendix to the report set out the recommendations and comment on each of the review recommendations.

## **RESOLVED**

1. That Cabinet notes the progress achieved since the Review was undertaken, but also that more remains to be done.
2. That the responses of the Portfolio Holders and the PCT be considered by the Scrutiny Panel in due course.

### **106 FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES - CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SCRUTINY REVIEW**

Cabinet was requested to receive the report and recommendations of the Children and Families Scrutiny Committee, and, in accordance with the Scrutiny Committee final reporting procedure, to come back with a response to a future meeting with a formal response to each recommendation.

## **RESOLVED**

That the report be received and that the Children and Families Portfolio Holder come back to the next (or subsequent) meeting of the Cabinet with a formal response to each recommendation.

### **107 CHESHIRE EAST DAY CARE OPTIONS APPRAISAL**

Consideration was given to the options available for the seven day care centres in Cheshire East. The recommendations arose from a series of Officer meetings with service users and their advocates and would provide a seamless continuity of service provision from 31 March 2011.

## **RESOLVED**

That approval be given to adopt Option 5, detailed on pages 5 to 16 of the Options Appraisal contained in Appendix A, and to commission Wishing Well and Audlem Parish Council to undertake the provision of day care as indicated in Option 5.

### **108 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

## **RESOLVED**

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.

109      **KEY DECISION 59 WILSON BOWDEN DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT**

Consideration was given to the report of the Strategic Director Places.

**RESOLVED**

That approval be given to the broad Principles and Terms set out in the report.

110      **MANAGING WORKFORCE CHANGE**

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

**RESOLVED**

1. That Cabinet supports the decision of the Chief Executive to release the employees whose roles are listed as 1 to 18 of Appendix A under the arrangements agreed in relation to voluntary severance provisions for employees in the Council.
2. That Cabinet notes the employees listed as 19 and 20 of Appendix A. Following a management decision regarding this service, there was an urgent need to consider the request for voluntary severance from these employees. As a result the Procurement, Assets and Shared Services Portfolio Holder agreed to release them under the terms of his delegated powers.

The meeting commenced at 2.00 pm and concluded at 3.45 pm

Councillor W Fitzgerald (Chairman)