CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Cabinet Member for Performance and Capacity

held on Friday, 12th March, 2010 in the Fred Flint Room, Westfields, Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

Councillor David Brown

Councillor Lesley Smetham Cabinet Support Member

IN ATTENDANCE

Janis Grant Planning and Performance Manager

Carol Jones Democratic Services Officer

31 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No interests were declared.

32 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION

There were no members of the public present.

33 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting held on 15th February 2010 be approved as a correct record.

34 DATA QUALITY STRATEGY

The Cabinet Member for Performance and Capacity considered a report which sought approval for the adoption of a Data Quality Strategy for Cheshire East Council and a programme of training to ensure high levels of awareness and compliance.

The Council was accountable for its use of resources and it was important to use sound and accurate information to plan and account for its activities. The Strategy set out the framework for an effective and coordinated approach to data quality.

RESOLVED

That

- the Data Quality Strategy and supporting actions attached as an appendix to the report be adopted for Cheshire East Council subject to the minor amendment agreed at the meeting;
- (2) the Cabinet Member for Performance and Capacity be confirmed as the Member responsible for data quality; and
- (3) it be noted that the Corporate Scrutiny Committee will take responsibility for reviewing and monitoring data quality arrangements and for overseeing the data quality standards.

35 DRAFT SINGLE EQUALITY SCHEME AND ACTION PLAN 2010-13

The Cabinet Member for Performance and Capacity considered a report which introduced the Draft Single Equality Scheme and Action Plan 2010-2013.

Cheshire East Council was committed to providing high quality, customer-focused services for all people in the borough, whether residents or employees and visitors. It was developing the Equality and Diversity agenda both to meet its statutory responsibilities to provide quality customer services and also to enable achievement of its corporate aims and objectives. The Council was required, under the Race, Gender and Disability Equality duties to assess both its existing and new policies and functions and to set out the method by which it would monitor any possible negative impact on disability/gender and race equality.

The Draft Scheme would be subject to consultation with partners, voluntary, faith and community stakeholders, staff and residents so that their views could be reflected in the Scheme which it was expected would be finalised by June 2010.

RESOLVED

That the Cabinet Member for Performance and Capacity –

1. approve the Draft Single Equality Scheme and Action Plan 2010-2013 and the Equality Impact Assessment Toolkit and Guidance were approved by the Portfolio Holder for Performance and Capacity. (These documents were approved in draft to allow extensive consultation with partners, voluntary, faith and community stakeholders, staff and citizens); and

2. approve an extension to the Interim Single Equality Scheme 2009-2010 to 31st July 2010 to ensure the Council remains statutorily compliant whilst that consultation takes place.

The meeting commenced at 1.00 pm and concluded at 1.15 pm

Councillor David Brown