

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Cabinet Member for Environmental Services**
held on Thursday, 25th November, 2010 at Committee Suite 1, Westfields,
Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

Councillors R Menlove

OFFICERS PRESENT

Peter Hartwell, Head of Safer & Stronger Communities
Katie Smith, Security Officer
Rachel Graves, Democratic Services Manager

9 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies were received.

10 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors G Walton and R Fletcher declared a personal interest in Item 4
– Review of Towns and Villages, as they were members of the Task and
Finish Group.

11 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION

There were no members of the public present.

12 REVIEW OF TOWNS AND VILLAGES

The Cabinet Member for Environmental Services considered the Task and
Finish Group's final report on its Review of Towns and Villages within
Cheshire East.

Councillor George Walton, Chairman of the Task and Finish Group, was in
attendance to present the report.

Following a request from the Cabinet Member for Environmental Services,
the Environment and Prosperity Scrutiny Committee at its meeting on 8
June 2010 had agreed to set up a Task and Finish Group to rank the
towns and villages within Cheshire East by a criteria suggested by the
Cabinet Member.

The Task Group had considered socio economic factors and other factors
such as facilities, retail, hospitality, business and travel for each of the
towns and villages through a series of site visits and had marked these
factors out of 10 against a set criterion.

The Task Group had then met to discuss their findings from the visits and mark the towns and villages out of ten against a set criterion and formulate the information into a table for presentation to the Cabinet Member for Environmental Services.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the rankings of towns and villages identified at Appendix B to the Report be approved;
- (2) any future decisions by the Portfolio Holder be made in line with the Cheshire East Council Parking Strategy; and
- (3) when car parking is reviewed in the future, consideration be given to the following observations:
 - That the parking charges on Thomas Street car park in Crewe be reviewed.
 - That the parking restrictions in Disley be enforced on a regular basis.
 - That the possibility of charging for parking in Disley be investigated.
 - That a solution to the parking problems on the Rams Head public house car park be sought.
 - That the possibility of the Borough Council managing the privately owned car parks in Handforth be investigated.
 - That the car park at the Paddock in Handforth have a maximum waiting time, which must be enforced.
 - That due to the size of the car parks Audlem, Haslington, Holmes Chapel and Middlewich, parking charges should not be implemented.
 - That the working arrangements for the Booths supermarket car park in Knutsford be used as an example of good practice.
 - That the legal issues regarding the car park in Poynton be investigated.
 - That action be taken to increase the usage and cleanliness of Spring Street car park in Wilmslow.

The meeting commenced at 10.00 am and concluded at 10.30 am

Councillor R Menlove