

# **CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL**

Minutes of a meeting of the  
**Cabinet Member for Children and Family Services**  
held on Monday, 4th April, 2011 at Committee Suite 1 & 2, Westfields,  
Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

## **PRESENT**

Councillors Hilda Gaddum, Cabinet Member for Children and Family Services

## **In attendance**

Councillor Rhoda Bailey, Cabinet Support Member

## **Officers**

Fintan Bradley, Services Manager, Improvement and Achievement  
Barbara Dale, School Organisation, Admissions and Appeals Manager  
Paul Mountford, Democratic Services

## **26 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No interests were declared.

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

There were no members of the public present.

## **28 DETERMINATION OF LOCAL AUTHORITY COORDINATED SCHEME AND ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS**

The Cabinet Member considered the outcome of consultations held during the Spring Term 2011 on proposed changes to the Council's co-ordinated scheme and admission arrangements for Cheshire East.

Consultations had been undertaken during the Spring Term 2011 on proposed changes to the Council's co-ordinated scheme and admission arrangements for the area of Cheshire East Council in order that arrangements could be determined by 15 April 2011 in accordance with statutory requirements.

The proposed admission arrangements for Cheshire East community and controlled schools would apply with effect from September 2012, subject to any review.

The Co-ordinated Scheme, once determined, would apply to applications for places in maintained schools and Academies received for the relevant age group i.e. at the normal point of entry into reception at 4+ and secondary transfer at 11+ for the school year 2012-13 and to applications

received 'in year' (i.e. those received after the first day of the school year into the relevant age group or into any other year group) with effect from September 2011. This scheme would apply to subsequent years, subject to any review.

The proposals would enable the Local Authority to meet its statutory duty to determine a co-ordinated scheme and admission arrangements by 15<sup>th</sup> April 2011, and to notify all consultees of the decision in accordance with legal requirements.

Full details about the proposed changes and the feedback received during consultation had been presented to the statutory Admissions Forum on 14<sup>th</sup> March. The Forum had resolved to recommend to the Cabinet Member that the proposed co-ordinated scheme be approved.

The report had been considered and accepted by the Children and Families Mid-point Scrutiny Committee on 15<sup>th</sup> March.

## **RESOLVED**

That the Cabinet Member for Children and Family Services approves

- (1) the proposed admission arrangements for Cheshire East community and controlled schools, which are the overall procedure, practices, criteria and supplementary information to be used in deciding on the allocation of school places;
- (2) the proposed co-ordinated admission scheme, which all local authorities are required by section 88M of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 (SSFA) and the Co-ordination Regulations to have in place; and
- (3) notification of the determined arrangements to all consultees within 14 days of determination.

The meeting commenced at 9.00 am and concluded at 9.16 am

Councillor Hilda Gaddum (presiding)