CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Cabinet Member for Housing and Jobs

held on Tuesday, 26th August, 2014 in Committee Suite 1,Westfields, Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

Councillor D Stockton.

Councillors in attendance:

Councillors D Brown, P Hoyland and L Smetham.

Officers in attendance:

Adrian Fisher – Head of Strategic and Economic Planning Tom Evans – Planning Officer Cherry Foreman – Democratic Services

6 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

7 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

8 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION

No members of the public were present at the meeting.

9 ADLINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD AREA APPLICATION

The Localism Act 2011 introduced new legal rights that enable communities to prepare local development plans with equal weight to the Local Plan for decision making purposes on development proposals. The first stage in this process is for the area to be designated as a neighbourhood area, setting out the geographic extent within which future policies and land designations will apply.

It was reported that within the area of Adlington Parish there were strategic interests, as identified by the Local Plan Strategy, these being the Poynton Relief Road and the need to deliver some 200 homes in Poynton. It was anticipated that these would be delivered at the edge of the settlement at an undetermined location, identified through either the preparation of a Neighbourhood Plan or through the Site Allocations process; one option to deliver this need might be to accommodate development to the south of Poynton, functionally related to the town but within Adlington Parish.

Originally, and to accommodate these issues, proposals were made to exclude areas of land from the Adlington Neighbourhood Area but, following a series of discussions between Adlington Parish Council, Poynton Town Council, and Cheshire East Borough Council, it was reported that it had been agreed that this option was not desirable and that close working across interested parties was a meaningful way to address planning consideration in this allocation. It was now felt that these issues had been resolved and the neighbourhood application as submitted met the requirements necessary to proceed.

RESOLVED

That approval be given for Adlington Parish to be designated as Adlington Neighbourhood Area for the purposes of preparing the Adlington Neighbourhood Plan.

The meeting commenced at 9.45 am and concluded at 10.00 am