# **CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL**

Minutes of a meeting of the **Cabinet Member for Communities** held on Monday, 19th October, 2015 at Committee Suite 1,2 & 3, Westfields, Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

## PRESENT

Councillors L Gilbert, Cabinet Member for Communities

## **Councillors in Attendance**

Councillor Glen Williams, Deputy Cabinet Member for Communities Councillor Irene Faseyi, Ward Member for Crewe Central

## Officers

Kirsty Hercules, Partnerships Manager Rachel Graves, Democratic Services Officer

## 30 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

## 31 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

# 32 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION

No members of the public were present.

#### 33 FRANCHISE MODEL - COMMUNITY HUBS

The Cabinet Member considered a report on two applications from local groups applying for a franchise to form a Community Hub.

A new Franchise Model for Community Hubs had been approved in July 2015. Expressions of interest had been received from Barnies, Crewe and The Welcome, Knutsford, applying to be awarded a franchise. Both applicants had evidenced within their applications forms that they meet the criteria set out and were committed to being active members of the Cheshire East Community Hubs network, agreeing to attend meetings and receive training. The application forms also included evidence from both groups confirming each possessed level 1 of the CVS GRIPPP self-assessment assurance processes which demonstrated they each had the necessary governance processes in place.

#### **RESOLVED:** That

1 approval be given for the award of a franchise to Barnies, Crewe, and The Welcome, Knutsford.

2 a start-up grant of up to £2,000 be awarded to Barnies, Crewe and to The Welcome, Knutsford, and that a package of on-going support be provided.

The meeting commenced at 1.00 pm and concluded at 1.15 pm

Councillor L Gilbert