

# **Constitution Committee**

## **Agenda**

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**Date:** Thursday, 19th March, 2020  
**Time:** 2.00 pm  
**Venue:** Committee Suite 1, 2 & 3, Westfields, Middlewich Road,  
Sandbach CW11 1HZ

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The agenda is divided into 2 parts. Part 1 is taken in the presence of the public and press. Part 2 items will be considered in the absence of the public and press for the reasons indicated on the agenda and in the report.

It should be noted that Part 1 items of Cheshire East Council decision-making meetings are audio recorded and the recordings are uploaded to the Council's website.

### **PART 1 – MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED WITH THE PUBLIC AND PRESS PRESENT**

1. **Apologies for Absence**
2. **Declarations of Interest**

To provide an opportunity for Members and Officers to declare any disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests in any item on the agenda.

3. **Public Speaking Time/Open Session**

In accordance with paragraph 2.32 of the Committee Procedure Rules, a period of 10 minutes is allocated for members of the public to address the meeting on any matter relevant to the work of the Committee. Individual members of the public may speak for up to 5 minutes but the Chairman or person presiding will decide how the period of time allocated for public speaking will be apportioned where there are a number of speakers. Members of the public are not required to give notice to use this facility. However, as a matter of courtesy, a period of 24 hours' notice is encouraged.

Members of the public wishing to ask a question at the meeting should provide at least three clear working days' notice in writing and should include the question with that notice. This will enable an informed answer to be given.

4. **Member Speaking**

To provide an opportunity for any member to speak in relation to any aspect of the constitution.

5. **Minutes of Previous Meeting** (Pages 3 - 6)

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> November 2019.

6. **Community Governance Review: Pre-consultation Survey Responses and Next Steps** (Pages 7 - 104)

To consider a report which provides an update on the pre-consultation survey carried out across the Borough, and which reminds members of the next steps and the process for proposal development.

7. **Proposed Change to the Council's Governance Arrangements - Formal Resolution to Move to a Committee System Form of Governance** (Pages 105 - 142)

To consider a report on work undertaken by the Governance Working Group in relation to the change to a committee system, and proposed recommendations to Council.

**THERE ARE NO PART 2 ITEMS**

**Membership: Councillors M Asquith, R Bailey, M Benson, J Bratherton, J Clowes, L Crane, S Edgar, S Hogben (Vice-Chairman), D Marren, A Martin, R Moreton, B Murphy, J Nicholas (Chairman) and P Williams**