

## **Appendix 1 – Call In Notice**

The 8 councillors listed below have called in the decision of the Cabinet on the grounds:

*In spite of intimations to the contrary, Lorraine Butcher made the very clear statement at the Knutsford Consultation meeting, in front of around 60 people, that*

*"This Consultation is not about Bexton Court, but only about The Stanley Centre"*

*In respect of the permanent closure of Bexton Court, no Consultation would in any case have been necessary, until last week's decision, since formerly the closure was always flagged up as 'temporary'. No Consultation is necessary about a 'temporary' closure.*

*However, we are now in a position where all Day and Respite Care, which formerly supported Family Carers in the Knutsford area, has been removed by Cheshire East Council - and all with no Consultation. That is unlawful.*

*Three separately funded Day Centres were closed within a few weeks of each other, at Bexton Court, Winstanley House and Memorial House. All are believed to have been funded by Cheshire East.*

*By requesting Local Services for Local People in Local Areas, Knutsford Area for Knutsford Action is trying to let the public understand - preferably before they find that, when urgently needed, there are no remaining services - that something must be done to support those in need of such services.*

*Cllr Domleo's constant statement that Cheshire East 'cannot support such Local Care' - except seemingly in Congleton - is just untrue.*

*In closing local services there is job loss, expertise loss, a greater carbon footprint, because of the need for transport, a diminution of the rights and quality of life of both Service Users and Carers, and a greater possibility that Carers will themselves need care, because of the added exhaustion and stress which they have been forced to face. Distant care services also allow the greater possibility of poor service which is not suitable nor kind to the person who is the subject of that care, and cannot readily be overseen by concerned Family Carers. Demented people have great difficulty in being believed, even if they are in a position to speak for themselves.*

*If Cheshire East does not allocate adequate funding for essential care services, then it is acting not just against morality and decency, but against the law.*

Councillor David Brickhill  
Councillor Rod Fletcher  
Councillor Brendan Murphy  
Councillor Arthur Moran  
Councillor Penny Butterill  
Councillor Michael Parsons  
Councillor Simon McGrory  
Councillor Paul Edwards