CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Environment and Regeneration Overview and Scrutiny Committee
held on Tuesday, 21st March, 2017 at The Capesthorne Room - Town Hall, Macclesfield SK10 1EA

PRESENT

Councillor J Wray (Chairman)
Councillor H Wells-Bradshaw (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors H Davenport, T Dean, M Hardy, N Mannion, A Martin, B Roberts and M Parsons.

In Attendance

A Clarke – Principal Planning Officer
P Davies - Investment Manager, Highways (commissioning)
A Fisher - Head of Planning Strategy
R Kemp – Commissioning Manager, Waste and Environment Service
P Reeves - Flood Risk Manager

16 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors D Bailey, D Bebbington and M Hardy

17 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Consideration was given to the minutes of the meeting held on 26 January 2017.

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting be approved as a correct record subject to Councillor H Davenport being included in the list of apologies.

18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

19 WHIPPING DECLARATIONS

There were no whipping declarations.

20 PUBLIC SPEAKING/OPEN SESSION
There were no members of the public present wishing to speak

21 COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY PROGRESS UPDATE

Consideration was given to the latest position in developing the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL), charging schedule and work undertaken concerning the potential for introducing CIL in Cheshire East.

RESOLVED

1. That Members note the CIL Preliminary draft Charging Schedule and initial Draft Regulation 123 list.
2. That Members note the Preliminary Draft Charging Schedule consultation is the first of two consultations (governed by the CIL regulations (2010 – as amended) on a potential future CIL Charge for Cheshire East, to be followed by an examination in public anticipated later in 2017.
3. That Members note that the Housing White Paper, published on 7 February 2017 sets out that Government is currently exploring longer term reforms to the system of developer contributions (S.106 and CIL).

22 FOOD WASTE COLLECTION

Consideration was given to a presentation updating Members on food waste collection. The presentation detailed:

- The current provision and situation
- Proposals for change – to utilise energy generation to process 40,000 tonnes of kerbside collected organic waste by sustainable bio technologies such as anaerobic digestion, to generate heat and power and proposals for organic waste treatment to collect food in garden waste.
- 3 solutions put forward by bidders.
- The proposed site.
- Next steps – waste treatment report to be submitted to Cabinet in May 2017 and implemented in April 2019.

RESOLVED

That the proposals be supported.

23 HOUSEHOLD WASTE AND RECYCLING CENTRES REVIEW

Consideration was given to a presentation updating Members on the Household Waste recycling Centre Review. Following the public consultation, the Council would be working with Ansa and their contractor to assist with implementing the following changes to the network:

- Reduction of operating hours starting 2017 – April to September 8.30am - 5pm, October to March 8.30am – 4pm. In response to consultation late night 1 day per week on all sites.
- Charging for rubble anticipated for early 2018 at all sites.
- Allowing trade dispersal for early 2018 starting initially at 2 sites.
- Arclid to remain open for 6 months until September 2017 to allow further dialogue with Sandbach Town Council.
RESOLVED

That the update be received.

24 DRAFT LOCAL FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT STRATEGY 2017

Consideration was given to the Draft Flood Risk Management Strategy 2017, which had been amended to reflect changes in the past 12 months and a presentation which detailed:

- The Flood Risk Team
- Flood and Water Management Act 2010 – Principal New Duties
- Flooding – A New Priority
- An outline of the strategy
- The severe weather events in Cheshire East

RESOLVED

1. That the Flood Risk Management Strategy 2017 be endorsed and be recommended to be rolled out for consultation.
2. That the work of the Flood Risk Management Team be commended.

25 FORWARD PLAN

Consideration was given to the areas of the forward plan which fell within the remit of the Committee.

RESOLVED

That the forward plan be received.

26 WORK PROGRAMME

Consideration was given to the work programme.

RESOLVED

That following the enactment of the Homelessness Bill, homelessness in Cheshire East be added to the work programme for 16 November 2017.

The meeting commenced at 2.00 pm and concluded at 4.05 pm

Councillor J Wray (Chairman)