

# **CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL**

Minutes of a meeting of the **Highways and Transport Committee**  
held on Thursday, 22nd June, 2023 in the The Capesthorne Room - Town  
Hall, Macclesfield SK10 1EA

## **PRESENT**

Councillor C Browne (Chair)  
Councillor L Crane (Vice-Chair)

Councillors L Braithwaite, R Chadwick, P Coan, A Coiley, H Faddes, A Gage,  
R Moreton, H Moss, J Priest and M Sewart

## **OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Tom Moody, Director of Highways and Infrastructure  
Richard Hibbert, Head of Strategic Transport and Parking  
Chris Hindle, Head of Infrastructure  
Simon Wallace, Contract Asset Manager  
Steve Reading, Principal Accountant  
Mandy Withington, Solicitor  
Nikki Bishop, Democratic Services

### **1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence.

### **2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

#### **RESOLVED:**

That the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 2 March 2023 be approved as a correct record.

### **4 PUBLIC SPEAKING/OPEN SESSION**

There were no public speakers.

### **5 SERVICE BUDGETS 2023/24**

The Committee considered the report on the allocation of the approved budgets for 2023/24 to the Highways and Transport Committee.

The Finance Sub-Committee at its meeting on 8 March 2023 had approved the allocation of the approved capital and revenue budgets,

related policy proposals and earmarked reserves to each of the service committees.

**RESOLVED:**

That the Highways and Transport Committee:

1. Note the decision of the Finance Sub-Committee to allocate the approved revenue and capital budgets, related budget policy changes and earmarked reserves to the Highways and Transport Committee, as set out in Appendix A.
2. Note the financial reporting timetable for 2023/24 set out in Appendix B as approved at Finance Sub-Committee on 7 June.

**6 APPOINTMENTS TO SUB-COMMITTEES, WORKING GROUPS, PANELS, BOARDS AND JOINT COMMITTEES**

Consideration was given to the report which sought approval from the Highways and Transport Committee to appoint members to the Public Rights of Way Sub Committee and to set out the membership of the Enhanced Partnership Board.

It was confirmed that the Corporate Policy Committee, at its meeting on 15 June 2023, agreed to recommend to Full Council that the functions of the Public Rights of Way Sub Committee be incorporated into the functions of the Highways and Transport Committee. This matter would be considered by Full Council. The Public Rights of Way Sub Committee scheduled for 3 July 2023 would therefore go ahead. Members queried what training would be required for the Highways and Transport Committee should Full Council approve this recommendation. Officers committed to providing a written response.

The proposed membership of the Public Rights of Way Sub Committee was noted as follows: Cllrs L Crane, A Coiley, H Faddes, R Moreton, A Harrison, K Parkinson and S Edgar.

**RESOLVED (unanimous):**

The Highways and Transport Committee

1. Appoints Members to the Public Rights of Way Sub Committee as follows: Conservative: 3, Labour: 3; Independent: 1.
2. Notes the terms of reference for the Public Rights of Way Sub Committee attached as appendix 1 to the report
3. Agrees the political representation for the Public Rights of Way Sub Committee and agrees that the names of Members appointed to it

will be submitted to the Head of Democratic Services and Governance.

4. Notes the Enhanced Partnership Board membership, as set out within Appendix 2.

## **7 WORK PROGRAMME**

Consideration was given to the Work Programme for the new municipal year 2023-24.

### **RESOLVED:**

That the Work Programme be noted.

## **8 MINUTES OF SUB COMMITTEES**

### **RESOLVED:**

That the minutes of the Public Rights of Way Committee held on 13 March 2023 be received and noted.

The meeting commenced at 10.00 am and concluded at 10.25 am

Councillor C Browne (Chair)