CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Cabinet Member for Prosperity and Economic Regeneration held on Monday, 22nd October, 2012 at Committee Suite 1 & 2, Westfields, Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

Councillor Jamie Macrae, Cabinet Member for Prosperity and Economic Regeneration
Councillor Peter Groves, Cabinet Support Member

Officers

Genni Butler, Countryside Access Development Officer Paul Mountford, Democratic Services Officer

1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

2 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION

There were no members of the public present.

3 DEDICATION OF NEW PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY ON CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL PUBLIC OPEN SPACE IN THE PARISHES OF HOLMES CHAPEL AND CRANAGE

The Cabinet Member considered a report on a proposal to create public rights of way over Council-owned public open space in the Parishes of Holmes Chapel and Cranage.

Cheshire East Council was involved, as the owner of public open space, in a project to improve public access in the Dane Meadow area between Holmes Chapel and Cranage, alongside the River Dane. A Dane Valley Programme Board comprising representatives from Holmes Chapel Parish Council, Cranage Parish Council and Cheshire East Council was progressing the project.

The first phase of the project was being developed presently within which it was proposed to improve the accessibility of existing paths within Dane Meadow using externally sourced funding. It was a requirement of this funding that the paths were dedicated as public rights of way. This would have the effect of securing the public's rights of access for perpetuity.

The decision to create public rights of way was a matter for the Public Rights of Way Committee.

The proposal was to create public rights of way on Cheshire East Councilowned land and therefore the approval of the Portfolio Holder responsible for the management of the Council's assets was also required.

Plan No. LGA/003, attached to the report, was indicative only.

The Cabinet Member asked that when the matter was reported to the Public Rights of Way Committee, consideration be given to a formal agreement with the Holmes Chapel Partnership in respect of the future maintenance of the rights of way.

RESOLVED

That the Cabinet Member for Prosperity and Economic Regeneration approves that the following proposal be put before the Public Rights of Way Committee for decision:

That the Council enter into a Deed of Dedication to create public rights of way on Cheshire East Council-owned public open space in the Parishes of Holmes Chapel and Cranage, as illustrated on Plan No. LGA/003.

The meeting commenced at 10.00 am and concluded at 10.15 am

Councillor J Macrae (presiding)